

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 12, 2016**

**MINUTES**

**Council Members Present:**

Jodi Leveque-Convener  
Lyn Gagetta - Convener Elect  
Carl Such  
David Figueroa  
Dan Capponi

**Ex-Officio Members Present:**

Fr. William Donahue  
Sr. Peggy Cruise  
Dominic Figueroa  
Fr. David Jenuwine

**Council Members Not Present:**

Dn. Jesse DeLuna  
Rosie Calabrese  
Gerry Cruz  
Mark Brumley

**Ex-Officio Members Not Present:**

Laura Schafle  
Mark Tomsic

Jodi Leveque led the attendees in an opening prayer.

The minutes of the June 13, 2016 minutes were distributed. Not having a quorum, the minutes were not approved at this time.

New Convenor-Elect: Due to David Figueroa's busy schedule, he has chosen to step down as Convenor-Elect for this next year. Therefore, Father Donahue has appointed Lyn Gagetta as the new Convenor-Elect, who will then become the Convenor in August of 2017.

Representatives from School and Finance Committee: The Council has invited representatives from the school and the finance committee to attend the Pastoral Council meetings. Welcomed were Kimberly Bowden (Mercy President), Amy Goleno (Mercy Vice-President), Monica Lopez (School Council President), and Chris Indelicato (Finance Committee).

Jodi noted that her goals for this year include bringing the school and parish together and work as a team to help each other. The school representatives indicated their appreciation on being invited and look forward to establishing a relationship. They noted they have a Harvest Party planned for October 22<sup>nd</sup> and that parishioners are invited. Also there will be a Crab Feed on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Jodi suggested the Celebrants at Mass encourage parishioners to purchase script to assist in fundraising for the school.

Renovation Committee: Carl Such provided a well-documented status report to the Council. The Council agreed to accept the Committee's recommendations for architectural changes to the church building, which allows the Committee to give the architect a baseline from which to proceed.

Chris Indelicato from the Finance Committee suggested the Council start planning for the Capital Campaign for church repairs. Choose a date to start and then work backwards. Carl Such as Chair of the Renovation Committee agreed.

Alpha Pregnancy Clinics: Orville Fisher made a request to be placed on the agenda, however was unable to attend due to a conflict in time with his Father's Rosary. Paul Obranovich spoke on his behalf. The Alpha Pregnancy Clinics receive no outside funding and is supported solely on donations. They estimate \$200,000 annual expenses. A request was made for consideration of some type of support. Notices in the Bulletin, advertisement for support, support a fundraiser dinner, have a mobile unit at the Church on a Sunday for people to tour and be educated on what the Clinics provide, etc. Paul and Dn. Peter Matthews support the clinic and request St. Apollinaris consider providing assistance. They are currently closed on Fridays due to lack of funds. The clinic is a good Pro-Life organization. Dominic Figueroa offered Youth Group assistance with an event. The clinic fulfills a real physical need for both men and women. Discussion led to the conclusion that enhanced visibility and awareness will help with obtaining financial support from parishioners. A suggestion was made that the clinic bring a mobile van to help bring awareness on a Hospitality Sunday. It can be discussed at Mass and people encouraged to donate or sign up for a monthly recurring contribution.

Pastoral Council Retreat: David Figueroa has planned the event to be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Evangelization Committee: September 17<sup>th</sup> will be a speaker event with Mark Brumley. The Committee wants to launch a theme for the year, a Year of Prayer. There is a men's book club that meets every Saturday morning in the conference room.

Pastor's Report: Father Donahue introduced and welcomed Father David Jenuwine to the parish as an Associate Pastor. He noted that Father Thomas has returned to Kenya to attend to his mother's funeral, and will be returning to St. John's parish. A party should be planned for when he returns to Napa.

Father Donahue expressed appreciation for all of the Parish Committees. He feels they are filled with subject matter experts who are all working well together and he is very pleased.

The school had a very successful Gala fundraiser and new heating/air has been installed at the school. There is currently good enrollment and the school is doing well.

Dn. Peter has been heading a website committee and hopes to launch the new parish website in December.

Father Donahue will be on a pilgrimage to Italy from October 5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>.

Jodi Leveque led the attendees in a closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned.

Next Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday, October 17, 2016 at 7:00 pm.