

St. John Paul Parish Council Minutes

June 23, 2022

“In communion with the Universal Church, and the Archdiocese of Louisville, our mission is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by:

Worshiping God in word and sacrament;

Teaching and sharing our faith;

Serving human needs, especially of the poor and oppressed;

Promoting holiness of life through continuing conversion;

Fostering justice and reconciliation among all God’s people.

Meeting opened at 6:34 with prayer

Attending: Dan Amlung, Terry Becker, Anne Bainbridge, John Johnson (for Frank Hulsman), Faye Johnson, Elaine Kennedy, Erin Maguire-Osting, Sandy Moore, Jim Sinnott, Ryan Clements

Approval of May Minutes: had been done via email.

Committee Reports: (for further information, contact the committee chairs via email.)

- **Administration Committees:** submitted by Kathy DeLozier (delozier.kathy@gmail.com) no report this month
- **Formation Committees:** submitted by Terry Becker (terrymarybecker@gmail.com) Women’s Summer Book Club began meeting. Candle Light mass, Monday Night Bible Study group and Why Not Catholic are continuing to meet. The first Family Movie Night took place. We are beginning to recruit for the RCIA program which is beginning in August. A Youth Bash is scheduled for June 26.
- **Parish Life Committees:** submitted by Jim Sinnott (jhsinnott3@yahoo.com) Some of the planned events for the parish are the Fall Festival on Oct. 22, Summer Hangout on July 16, Arts and Crafts Bazaar on Oct. 8, and a Super Bowl Party on Feb. 12, 2023. Family Movie Nights are scheduled. Super Raffle tickets are being sold at many of these events and after masses on Saturdays and Sundays. Boy Scouts continue to be active. Photography Committee is submitting pictures of various parish events. The Phone team has contacted a number of our elderly parishioners. A new program called “Tandem” is being investigated.
- **School Board Committee:** submitted by Tim Davis (tsdstar77@hotmail.com) no report this month
- **Social Concerns Committees:** submitted by Dan Amlung (amlungdan@gmail.com) Respect Life committee will hold a baby shower for Little Way Pregnancy Center and the

Archdiocesan Mother-Infant Program. Faithful Citizenship will be distributing voting information before the election. Recycling information has been distributed at mass by the Environmental Concerns committee. A new Grief Recovery Group will be meeting in July. Dress for Success will be collecting on July 23 & 24. Habitat for Humanity lunches will be delivering lunches on June 25. Our group works on the fourth weekend of each month. Cards for the Card Writing Ministry are in the Parish Life Center in a closet in the main hall. The Festival of Ministries brought 5 new members to the Card Ministry.

- **Worship Committees:** We welcome a new pianist at the 10:30 mass and Rob Tichy who will be helping as Sacristan for the 10:30 masses.

Fundraising Committees: Super Raffle ticket sales are going well. The drawing will be held Oct. 22. Planning continues for the Summer Hangout (that name may be changed). We may add a 50/50 drawing.

Nominating Committee: 7 people have agreed to run for the 3 openings on Parish Council. The names will be drawn at the 9 a.m. mass on July 10.

New Business: 2022-2023 Budget was approved. Lower salary (several staff are retiring) and lower utilities (only one campus) plus sale of Hikes Ln. campus contributed to a small surplus in the budget. Finance committee suggested that we may be wise to have an annual stewardship enrollment/pledge card.

Francis Center: It was recommended that we keep the name as it would be more welcoming to non-Catholics/non-parishioners, more inclusive of our neighbors. In addition, when we solicit donations/sponsors for events such as the BrewFest it will be recognized by the businesses that have contributed in the past. We would also lose the benefit of its good reputation.

Made no changes to the Francis Center mission statement.

Recommend that we continue the **Kid's Cafe** with the stipend agreed upon by Father Do and Sr. Ruth Ann, the **Saturday Arts and Crafts** program run by Sharon and Susan with stipend to be re-evaluated in December and with the contingency that we find someone to write grants for that program (what happens to the money donated?), the **Golden Fitness** program, and **Francis Cooks**. We might investigate the desire for the Francis Cooks by having our phone committee ask their parishioners. If there is an interest, we could then solicit volunteers to cook. We might also expand the service to include those with life events such as, new babies, deaths in the family, extended illnesses or surgeries. We would like to continue the **Gentle Yoga** program contingent on the instructor being agreeable to pay a fee for use of the facility. We would like to continue the **Summer Tutoring** program but need a volunteer to coordinate that program. **Rock Steady Boxing** has requested that they stay at Buechel Baptist. We are agreeable with

that. We want to investigate the usefulness of continuing the health screening such as mammograms. Finally, we believe that we need to research the needs in the neighborhood in order to be sure that we are serving the needs of the local area.

We were unsure as to the Francis Center's budget from past years. Is it a 501c3? What was its budget and where was it getting its money this past year? How many people scheduled mammograms at the last clinic we offered? The fee being paid to Buechel Baptist for housing our programs while the Parish Life Center was being built will stop the end of this June.

Adjournment: The meeting ended at 8:15 with a prayer offered by Anne. The next meeting will be on **August 25** at 6:30 in the new Parish Life Center. **NOTE: There is no meeting in July.**

Topics for next meeting: meeting new PC members and assign liaison; election of officers, what to do about the Francis Center website (needs to be updated on a regular basis)

Respectfully submitted by Anne Bainbridge