

St. John Paul Parish Council Minutes

August 29, 2024

“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 began with prayer at 7:24. This meeting was held at the Rectory and was a potluck meeting and transition, attended by both Parish Council members whose terms expired and the new members.

Attending: Terry Becker, Ashley Curry, E. J. Clark, Maria Frank, Lynn Haner, Frank Hulsman, Elaine Kennedy, Heather Meyers, Lucy Miller, Michele Norris, and Rob Tichy. Also in attendance was staff member Bryan Cain, Director of Mission Advancement & Renewal.

Approval of June Minutes: had been done via email.

Committee Reports: As discussed at this meeting, committee reports will be written and submitted by Staff rather than by Parish Council Members for the FY 24-25. All members will be considered at-large.

Parish Life Committee: Meeting notes for the upcoming Fall Festival to be held October 26, 2024

In attendance: Anne Bainbridge, Sharon Hibbs, and Jim Sinnott. The Fall Festival will be held on Sat. 10/26/2024 from 5-10pm in the Community Center (CC) and on the small parking lot in front of the CC. The next Fall Festival meeting will be held on Monday Sept.30 from 6:30-7:30pm in Room C of the Parish Life Center. Respectfully submitted, Sharon Hibbs Jim Sinnott.

Reports from Fundraising Committees: Fall Arts and Craft Fair to be held October 19, 2024

Ashley Curry reported on the upcoming Craft Fair to be held on October 19, 2024. Most of the booths have been sold to date (50). The Parish Life Center will be used to provide a Food concession this year. There will also be a quiet evangelization center in the PLC. Yard signs promoting the event will be in the community soon. The Record has been contacted to help promote the Craft Fair. Each parish has been contacted requesting something in their bulletin

promoting the Craft Fair & that our parish will reciprocate their fundraising activity in our bulletin.

New Business: Welcome to the Parish Council new members Lucy Miller and EJ Clark. The parish also thanks outgoing members Elaine Kennedy, Dan Amalong and Terry Becker. Rob Tichy has agreed to stay on the Council as Chair. He will have a second 3-year term. Kathy Huber will be the Vice Chair and Secretary for the Council. A discussion was held about the number of members needed for the Parish Council. One less member is on this years Council due to a lack of parishioner volunteers. This year will focus on commission vs. committee.

The parish is initiating a weekly newsletter. Brian Cain will create this newsletter. It will communicate both parish and school activities as well as share fundraising opportunities. There will be an emphasis on keeping the parish informed of what is going on within the parish.

The school will have a booth at the Worldfest Celebration in Downtown Louisville during the Labor Day weekend.

The Give Tuesday fundraiser will be to help raise money for the resurfacing of the parking lot.

The May Town Hall Meeting was well attended. The Sainly Socials started in July are going well. Sundays on campus have been well attended with hosting area Grade School Girls Flag Football Teams. Virtue vs strength will begin to be taught to the Academy Archery Team. The school is beginning to teach Catechis of the Good Shephard. This is a Montessori based method of education.

The Food Pantry began serving area residents in late July and continues to flourish. There has been an increase the number of community members helped weekly. Currently about sixty households are being helped weekly. There are volunteer helpers from St. Martha Parish. Both St. Raphael and St. Martha have helped.

Adjournment: The meeting ended at 8:10 with a prayer. The next meeting will be on Thursday, October 3rd at 6:00 pm in the Parish Life Center.

Respectfully submitted by Terry Becker