

**The St. Vincent Ferrer Parish
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 18th 2021 7:00PM
Room B**

Council Members Present	Council Members Not Present	Clergy and Guests Present
Travis Everly, Chairman Julie Morency, Member-at-Large Tina Borchard, Member-at-Large Ruth Connolly, Member-at-Large Commission Representatives: Chris Vollman, Athletics Bill Montel, Parish Life Susan Aloisio, Worship Doug Hallet, Beacons of Light	Kathy Abele, Building and Finance Maria Barrett, Worship Annie Lawrence, Education	Father Dennis Jaspers, Pastor Fr. Tom Wray, Parochial Vicar

Agenda -- Information/Discussion	Action/Follow Up
<p>I. Opening Procedures Opening prayer – Fr. Tom Wray</p> <p>Approval for April PPC Meeting minutes tabled until next meeting (council needed more time to review)</p> <p>II. Discussion Items:</p> <p>a. PPC Elections/nominations– Many current council members are over their time limits to be on council, and lack of new members expressing interest in a position. Currently PCC needs a Vice Chair. Not following by-laws; this led to discussion of reviewing the current by-laws, and forming a committee to update them.</p> <p>b. Beacons of Light: Much will be unfolding in the next 60 days, as a 5 year plan will be outlined for the 210 parishes in the Archdiocese. This will create 50-60 Family of Parishes, with shared resources. Consultant will be making recommendations and pastors will learn of these on September 29. Archdiocese plans to accept these recommendations, which will be presented to congregation from pulpit at the weekend Masses. Parishes</p>	<p>Approve the April meeting minutes at the next PPC Meeting</p> <p>Consider stepping forward to serve as vice chair</p> <p>Engage parishioners to participate/nominate new members, for Beacons of Light information, especially those who offer ideas/suggestions</p> <p>Travis to upload charter/by-laws to</p>

<p>have 20 days to review and respond with questions or concerns. Two town halls are scheduled to cover Beacon of Light changes to parish, and for Q&A (total meeting expected to be one hour long). Fact is that current model is unsustainable</p> <p>c. Mass Live-stream Project – Mr. Everly states that new audio system is in the works, but supplier is experiencing delays in getting necessary equipment.</p>	<p>Google drive</p> <p>Encourage attendance at Town Hall meetings 8/30/21 and 9/7/2021</p> <p>Doug Hallett recommended reading Bob Hader’s “How to Cope With Change When Parishes Cluster”, also, a 10 bullet point guide from this author is in Our Sunday Visitor.</p>
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<p><u>III. Commissions Updates</u></p> <p><u>Athletics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Waning interest in baseball, thus fields are being converted to soccer fields, adding a U8 field. b. Equipment (soccer goals) has been ordered, but delays in getting the equipment. c. Soccer started last week, Girls volleyball starts next week, and tennis is also starting up. Cross country team is at All Saints. <p><u>Building and Finance</u></p> <p>No report and no representation from Building & Finance. A motion was made to send a letter to the Building & Finance commission to send a letter requesting they send a report and a representative to all PPC meetings. Motion was not seconded, but Travis Everly agreed to personally attend the next Building & Finance meeting and ask for more sharing of information with PPC. Also mentioned that Kathy Abele is the Business Manager and should not be the representative for the commission (prefer someone who is on the commission)</p> <p><u>Education</u></p> <p>Has not had a meeting since April, so no update. (shared by Chris Vollman) Grants available through USDA lunch programs for free breakfast</p>	<p>Travis Everly to attend B&F meeting and request information sharing and attendance at PPC meetings</p>

<p>and lunch. The school is looking into this, as St. Gertrude’s and Nativity each participated in this program last year and school families appreciated it.</p> <p>Fr. Dennis states that masks (school and church) will only be required if there is a mask mandate</p> <p><u>Parish Life</u> Covered in the Beacons of Light discussion (Bob Mountel)</p> <p><u>Building & Grounds</u> No update Fr. Jasper commented mentioned that the reconciliation rooms are updated, and suggested going to confession if you haven’t seen them; they look very nice and updated</p> <p><u>Worship</u> See attached report – next meeting for Worship Commission is in September. They need more volunteers, want to bring back the Hospitality team, and utilize the Jasper room for the coffee and donut events.</p> <p>Fr. Tom Wray will be hosting another Adult Formation September 27 – online, based on Bishop Barron’s Book “Called To The Eucharist”</p> <p>New RCIA starting September 7, Tuesday nights. Note that this overlaps with the second town hall meeting; RCIA participants will have to attend the August 30 Town Hall</p>	<p>School will exploring USDA grant for free breakfast/lunch</p>
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<p>IV. <u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>Upon motion duly made by Julie Morency, seconded by Ruth Connolly, and approved, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>VI. <u>Closing Prayer</u> Fr. Dennis Jaspers led the Council in a closing prayer.</p>	

APPENDIX

Individual Commission Reports:

Worship Commission Meeting date: 03/03/21

Goals:

- Welcoming the faithful back to church, enhancement of liturgical services
- Work to expand the number of liturgical ministers
- Plan formation and training sessions for liturgical ministers
- Combine Greeter & Usher Ministries – Hospitality Hosts
- Restoration of Sacred Music Ministry – First choir practice is Tuesday, August 24th, 7pm
- Formation of Host Team for Funerals
- Formation of Hospitality Team

Worship Ministry Co-Ordinators & Members at Large

Fr. Dennis Jaspers

Fr. Tom Wray

Susan Aloisio – Chair – Lectors

Peggy Whalen – Secretary – Sacristans

Ted Walter – Music

Dcn. Brian – Servers; Eucharistic Ministers

Ruth Connolly – Greeters

Edmonde DeGregorio – Ushers

Katie Leary – Art & Environment

Frank Geiser – Member at Large

Karen Hulefeld – Member at Large

PPC Rep - tbd