
St. Stephen the Martyr Pastoral Council

Minutes

February 25, 2020

The regularly scheduled meeting of SSM Pastoral Council was held on Tuesday, February 25 at 7:11 PM, Central Daylight Time, in the Gonderinger Parish Center.

Opening Prayer

Ms. Merten led the Council in a prayer to open the meeting.

Call to Order

President, Dean Baumert called the meeting to order. Trinette Shamburg, Secretary, recorded minutes of the meeting.

Roll Call

The following members of the Council were present:

- Father Padraic Stack
- Trinette Shamburg
- Donna Titman
- Julie Tylski
- Deena Merten
- Nancy Williams
- Father Dave Belt
- Dean Baumert

The following members of the Council were absent:

- Michael White
- Mike Sullivan
- Jerry Venner

Pastor Report (Fr. Dave)

- Ad for Evangelization will be posted by hopefully next week. Hire by mid-June.
- Meeting every Friday with Stewardship group to develop an overall plan going forward.
- RE in the middle of Confirmation and First Communion prep.
- Strategic Plan status conversations can occur via email rather than face to face meetings.
- Facilities committee is being formed and meeting on priorities to address. Dan has been a great addition to our staff.
- Debt free in May and a better place financially.

Lasting Impact Book Review

- Why are people not attending church regularly anymore? Kid's activities, single parents and busyness, and culture shift.
- We need to reach out more than we do to our community/neighbors to bring them into the church.

Dream Team and Leveling Sessions

- Staff went through an abbreviated version of the Dream Team/Leveling sessions. As part of the PC being involved in taking care of the pastoral needs of our people, Fr. Dave would like our assistance. Jim Jansen and Fr. Dave came up with a 3-step process to follow to develop a clear path of discipleship. Our next step would be to get about a dozen people together from PC and Staff to review 4 areas: Relational Outreach, Conversion Engine, Discipleship Groups,

and Missional Teams. Second step is to draw in the people who attended the Dream Team 3 nights. In the Fall, implementation would begin to fill in the gaps.

Pillar Updates

- Leadership team is on target. Worship team needs to review document and goals.

PC Nominations

- Start thinking about possible candidates. Fr. Dave will plug in the email to the Dream Team and Leveling Sessions. Trinette will update all communications and confirm deadlines against the PC Guidelines.

Closing

- Being no other business, the Council closed the meeting with Mr. Baumert leading the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.