
St. Stephen the Martyr Pastoral Council

Minutes January 28, 2020

The regularly scheduled meeting of SSM Pastoral Council was held on Tuesday, January 28 at 7:15 PM, Central Daylight Time, in the Gonderinger Parish Center.

Opening Prayer

Mr. Venner 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
- Jerry Venner
- 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

Pastoral Plan Meeting Reports

- Strategic Plan status conversations can occur via email rather than face to face meetings.
- Mr. Baumert will set up a google drive to house Strategic Plan updates. This will provide background for new Pastoral Council members on each pillar as well as a reference point for annual revisions.
- Letters were sent to parents regarding school numbers/enrollment/tuition. Finance Council proactively making school adjustments including max class size of 25 vs 32 students. It was noted that we are experiencing declining numbers of kids in our parish community and founding families are starting to age out.
- Mortgage debt will be paid off in May.
- Stewardship document from 1992 is being reviewed/studied regarding increasing stewardship through ministry involvement.
- Dream Team meeting tomorrow night, all encouraged to attend.
- SSM is no longer the largest parish in NE, Our Lady of Guadalupe in South Omaha is the largest.
- Read Chapter 2, Lasting Impact, and be ready to discuss for next PC meeting.

Closing

- Being no other business, the Council closed the meeting with Mr. Baumert leading the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.