

# ***Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes***

March 2, 2017

## **1. Prayer and Attendance**

Rob called to order the regular meeting of the Pastoral Council at 7:15pm on February 2, 2017 at Canadian Martyrs Parish.

The following persons were present: Pierre Beemans, Fr. Jim Fiori, Heather Duggan, Bob Gorman, Jane Staples, Rosemarie Hoey, Alex Amato, Rob Criger, Vince Marsh, and Anthony Carty

Absent: Dorothy Wood, Margaret Moriarty, Sheila Foy-Connolly, Scott Rufolo

## **2. Approval of agenda:**

Additions: 7.4 Lending Library 5.5 Taken off agenda

Rosemarie moved that the agenda be approved. Anthony seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

## **3. Minutes from Feb. 2, 2017**

The minutes of February 2, 2017 were accepted electronically and sent to the Finance Committee.

## **4. Business Arising**

### **4.1. Finance Report – Vince Marsh**

**Tobin Estate:** Half of interest (50%) is used for outreach. Should this percentage be reviewed? In 2016 this amount was \$6,300 and in 2017 it will be \$6,500. See Schedule II.

Donations receivable: Donated shares from a parishioner.

Refugee \$ received: \$101,768 and \$61,400 was disbursed in 2016

Total assets increased because of sale of land to the city.

Liabilities: we have started accruing salaries and payables (admin. tax included)

HST payable: HST from bulletin ads and rent

Automatic bank withdrawals for donations to the church have been applied for with CIBC.

Income statement: Office supplies increased because of printers (Sharp and Konica) and the purchase of 2 new computers.

Budget: Testament donation – donation from a will. Audit: internal control and will safeguard our investments. Roof: steel or shingles, we are getting quotes for both types of roof.

## **5. New Business**

### **5.1. Report of Syrian family:**

An update on the families was emailed to council from David Gilmour.

### **5.2. Pancake Brunch**

The pancake brunch went well and there were few hiccups. There were very little leftovers. 53 attendees, 10 helpers. The pancakes were made the night before which made them a little dry as they had to be reheated. There was an excellent atmosphere. Keeping the coats in the breezeway was a good idea and having a “bouncer” at the door worked well. Tables were filled as people came in and the food was placed on serving platters on the tables.

Thank you notes will be written by Rob to Cathy, Greg, Christina, Terri, Diana, and Kaye.

Action Item: Alex and Pierre will write down notes for future reference.

### **5.3. PPC working year**

Our working year will be changed to January to December. In the interim we will run council from Sept. 2017 to Dec. 2017 with only 7 members (allowing the 3 retiring members to leave in June). The Constitution will need to be revised.

Motion to change the term to January to December from September to June: moved by Rosemarie and Alex.

### **5.4. Parish Directory**

Email from Greg Gertz (communications committee): He will be point person for this project.

Date for directory publication: Sept/Oct

Posters

Thurs/Fri/Sat schedule for photo sessions

If parishioners want photos they pay Prestige.

Engage Welcoming Committee to help out.

### **5.5. Doors Open Ottawa**

Alex will meet with a rep. from Doors Open to show them the church.

### **5.6. Workshop with Normand Bonneau**

Outstanding workshop/great opportunity about the Lenten readings and the Jewish scriptures and how they influenced our readings/psalms. 12 people attended.

**6. For Information:**

Thank you card for Pat LaViolette who has coordinated the Faith Formation Committee for years. She is withdrawing from this committee to work on new endeavours.

**7. Communications:**

Lunch and Learn on March 19: Funeral Liturgy with Susan Roll. She will discuss the parameters of what is expected and the history behind it

Amoris Laetitia: May Lunch and Learn or evening session. There will be a sign-up sheet to gauge interest.

Evangelii Gaudium: Looking into this.

Little Lending library: Has been in the works for a while. Heather has set it up. We are looking for resources for younger parishioners and audio books. This is a work in progress.

**8. Next meeting:** April 6, 2017 at 7:15pm

**9. Meeting was adjourned** at 9:15pm.