

**Pastoral Council Meeting  
April 14, 2009**

Present: Sr. Doris, Fr. Jeff, Steve Strothman, Sue Monroe, Cathy Schwenk, Trina Murphy, Ryan Johnson, Joan Hoedel, Ken Smith, Jen Blood, Kirsten Hangas

Absent: Mary Callahan-Baumstark, Carol Buerman, Jamie Lockman, Christine Whitlatch, Jeff Bretherton, Linda Zarko, Paraic Neibergs, Richard Bishop

Guest: Mike Frost, FOCUS Team

Steve opened in prayer.

I. Updates

**CCM-** Kirsten shared information about intern applications. She received three applications and there will be an Ice Cream Social on Wednesday evening for the FOCUS team to meet the applicants. She had been in contact with 10-12 students prior to spring break and found that most were interested but didn't have the time to commit. The decision was made that they were going to implement their new program that the CCM review committee had recommended. In addition to the interns there will be three service ministers who will focus on SEARCH, Hospitality and Marketing/Advertising. These positions would be for those who would like to lead a SEARCH and be paid a small stipend and would work 4-8 hours a week. There will also be opportunities for positions such as a Shepherd and assistants that would work SEARCH. The assistant would become a Shepherd. Interns will continue to be responsible for event planning, programming etc.

Jen shared upcoming events for CCM. There will be a 24 hour men's and women's retreat and the last social for the year will be an outdoor game night and camping trip.

She also started a new group for those in their 20's and 30's that has 25 members. The next activity is a bowling night. She has named the group ACE (Adult Catholic Experience).

UNITE continues to go well and there was a large group (25) tonight.

**Habitat for Humanity-** Jennifer Blood provided update on the Habitat for Humanity project. The dates set are October 3 and October 24<sup>th</sup>. This is open to both parishioners and college students. There will be two churches working on this project and there will be 6 people per shift and then an additional 6 who plan, prepare and serve lunch. The first installment has been paid for the project by Christ the King.

**Fr. Jeff-** Triduum went well and we met our Easter budget. Four individuals were welcomed into the church for the first time, four received Eucharist and were confirmed, and three were baptized and received 1<sup>st</sup> communion and were confirmed at the Easter Vigil.

- III. **Monthly Standing Parish committee/group.** Mike Frost provided an overview of the FOCUS team (Friends of College University Students). There are currently 12-14 members of this group. Their role is to be a liaison between the interns and the permanent community. FOCUS interviews the interns and meets with them three times a year. They also are a support for the intern supervisor and can mediate between the intern supervisor, Fr. Jeff and the interns. They also support students by cooking for UNITE, providing housing for retreats, and consultations with students. They also make programmatic changes.

**IV. Old Business**

- a. **Reviewed the minutes from last month** and they were approved.
- b. **Update from Nomination committee: Fr. Jeff will send an invite to those nominated to be on pastoral council and we will meet at 6:15PM on May 12th for an overview of Pastoral Council and invite nominees to stay for the meeting. We will then allow them to discern and make a decision by the next meeting in June.**
- c. **Continued Pastoral Council Planning-** postponed until next month.

**V. New business (Fr. Jeff)**

- a. **Change in By-laws.** Discussed the bylaw changes that Cathy has drawn up. Consensus was to change the date for Pastoral Council retreat to September which will be in lieu of the normal meeting, June will be a wrap up meeting, delete town hall meetings and change to requesting different ministries to come each month to provide overview of their ministry. **Also discussed possibility of adding youth ministry updates to the agenda and adding two high school students to the council.**

**Next meeting: May 12, 2009 at 6:15PM.**

**Prayer: Joan Bartkowski**

**Treats: Please bring crackers, cheese, meat to share with everyone.**

<b>Please read pgs. 63-78 of the "Revisioning The Parish Pastoral Council Workbook and complete the Worksheets for the next meeting.</b>	
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**Monthly Parish Standing Committee-None**

**VI. Closing Prayer**

Steve closed in prayer.  
Meeting Adjourned  
Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Bartkowski  
Parish Secretary