

**Epiphany Parish Leadership Council
Meeting Minutes – Approved**

Date and Time: June 10, 2008, 8:30 p.m.

Location: Meeting Room

Attendees: Richard Burke, Eric Gunderson, Joe Gabler, Dave Kassing, Mike Lentz, Greg Mueller, Alan Savage, Robert Sanislo, Clyde Schultz, Mike Sopcyk, Steve Sorsen, Tim Sullivan, Father Dennis Zehren, Mary Zielinski

Minute Taker: Mary Beth Ineson

- I. Minutes from May Meeting
Minutes were approved with correction to the conflicting statements regarding free tuition.
- II. Open Mic
 - None
- III. Commission Reports
 - Pastoral Care and Outreach – Steve Sorsen
The commission has eight members – Bernie House, Jean Mackey, Patricia McConnell, Len Powell, Denise Roy, Michele Warren, and Kristann Yocum. Bernie House will be the Chair, and Kristann Yocum will be Vice Chair.
 - Community Life – Richard Burke
The commission has eight members, seven of them are new. The members are Richard Burke, Rani Cherucheril, Rhonda Dillon, Dave Jones, Todd Krafty, Melody Krattenmaker, Cindy McDonald, Jeanne Sorsen, Cathy Sullivan, and Emy Vaillancourt. Richard Burke will serve as Chair, and Emy Vaillancourt will serve as Vice-Chair.
 - Liturgy Commission – Mike Sopcyk
The Liturgy Commission will be chaired by Amy DeRaad. The other members are Barb Babcock, Becky Germundson, Pat Johnston, Bob Minell, Sue Morton, John Reandeau, Carla Rokos, Frank Ronneng, and Mike Sopcyk.
 - Education Commission – Mary Zielinski
Mary Zielinski will serve as the new Chair, and Bruce Roles will be the Vice Chair. The rest of the commission members are Pat Bredenkamp, Sherry Campeau, Jane Carroll, Susan Crook, Katie Gebhard, Tom Nathe, Mike Nowak, Mary Powell, Ann Rotondo, and Lisa Zastoupil.
 - Eric Gunderson met with Clyde Schultz, Bob Muffelman, and Scott Schulte this evening. These are the members at large.
 - Stewardship Commission – Joe Gabler
This commission has two outgoing members – Joe Gabler and Terri Willaert. Joe thanked Terri and acknowledged her service to the commission and Epiphany Parish. The Commission members for this year are Andre Benassi, Kathy Frederickson, Paul Hennen, Mary Beth Ineson, Greg Mueller, Mary Beth Schultz, Maria Tran, and Sister Marion Welter. Greg Mueller will serve as Chair, and Mary Beth Ineson will serve as Vice-Chair.

The Archdiocesan Stewardship Forum will be held Saturday, September 20, in Burnsville, MN.

- Finance Commission – Alan Savage
The Finance Commission has three returning members and five new members. The members this year are Doug Fischer, Debbie Hawkins, Joel Jacobs, Jeff Kearney, Miles Kennedy, Mike Lentz, Gail Mikolich, Kent Roessler, and Alan Savage. Alan Savage will serve as Chair. The commission also discussed the roles of the commission. Pending their August meeting, they will discern the committees.
- Greg Mueller has moved from the Finance Commission to the Stewardship Commission. As outgoing chair, he met with the Finance Commission prior to the meeting this evening. The Finance Commission presented to Father Zehren the recommended Parish budget and disbursement for the coming 2008-2009 year.
- Operations Commission – Robert Sanislo
The Operations Commission has three new members this year, six total. The Commission consists of Jerry Arzdorf, John Awalt, Shawn Dub, John Haley, Mike Kisrow, Mike Kraft, Bill Toutges, DuWayne Virning, and Jim Warren. The Chair is Mike Kraft, the Vice-Chair is Mike Kisrow, and the Secretary is Jerry Arzdorf.
- Clyde reminded the former chairs that they are responsible for providing the passwords to the commission's e-mail to the new chairs. Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

IV. Springfest Security Solutions – Mike Kraft

In many ways, Springfest was a success this year. Hundreds of parishioners came together to make it successful. Security was a big issue and was the reason for many of the changes this year. We had a lot of tension the week before Springfest. However, we had a lot of support from the police and city officials. The Sheriffs and Minnesota Gang Force were state-funded. Thousands of people in the area and surrounding communities came to Springfest. The wrap-up meeting will be June 23rd. Please let the committee know of any suggestions. We have built the foundation this year, and we will continue next year.

V. Objectives 2008-2010 – Clyde Schultz

Clyde presented the four objectives. Once he has all e-mails from the commission chairs, the objectives and details will be sent to all commission chairs.

VI. Epiphany Diner – Rhonda Dillon

The menu has been approved. They are now waiting for approval to open the Monday before the Fair opening with limited hours and menu items to serve the workers. The architectural designs have been submitted to the fair for approval. The committee is looking into doing some interior decorating and rearranging of tables. They are planning to tear down the front walls and have three garage doors in the front with glass so they can be closed if cold, but the patrons can still see in and out. There will also be bistro seating out front.

The menu includes food that can be take and go, such as wings, wraps, burgers, and chicken sandwiches. It is necessary to change the menu due to the changing clientele. The dinners are not as desirable to the changing demographics. Breakfast will have all you can eat pancakes, and the rest of the menu will remain pretty much the same.

The State Fair will promote us for the early opening. They have also authorized adding us to the blue book. The architectural approval is just a formality. We expect approval any day. The fair would like the wrap-up on the exterior by July 15th. The builder needs a two-week notice to begin construction. The construction will take three days, and then the garage doors will be put in.

The question was raised regarding the diner not being eco-friendly with the takeout materials. These were just too expensive for this year.

Chuck and Rhonda Dillon were commended for all of their hard work with the diner.

VII. Leadership Training – Clyde Schultz

Leadership training will be the second Tuesday of August. It would be beneficial to break out in the individual commissions at that time. Finance, Community Life and Liturgy all felt they would value some time.

VIII. Vocation Committee – Mike Sopyck

The Vocations Committee would like to be moved to the Liturgy Commission. The plan would be to present to the council to discuss. When a person enters the priesthood, it is a sacrament so it should fall under Liturgy; also the induction is celebrated in a Mass. Father Zehren stated other sacraments – Confirmation, Communion, and Baptism – are all celebrated at a liturgy. The Faith Formation that prepares for the sacrament makes them fall under Education.

Clyde suggested the commissions work together to satisfy the needs of the Vocations Committee. The Vocations Committee consists of six to seven members whose role is to promote vocations through education. Eric stated that where they are now is a good place, but they need to involve Liturgy, Stewardship, and other Commissions to help promote vocations.

IX. Adjournment / Closing Prayer

The meeting was concluded at 9:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 9th, at 8:30 p.m.