

# HOLY ROSARY STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES - January 18, 2017

## 1.0 Call to Order / Agenda / Minutes

- 1.1 Opening Spiritual Reflection – Fernando Subang
- 1.2 Regrets – Joanne Tersigni.
- 1.3 Approval of Agenda – Therese / Melissa
- 1.4 Approval of Minutes – Rob / Rodney

## 2.0 2017 Elections

- 2.1 Chair (Jeff Obbema) and Vice-Chair (Therese Wright) through Dec 2017. Jeff has the option to renew for one additional year.
- 2.2 Vice Chair – Fernando Subang nominated. Fernando agreed to accept. Vote held and all in favour.
- 2.3 Secretary – Father Boyd has approached someone who may come on in the secretary role. Pat McCann will continue until that time.

## 3.0 Business Arising

### 3.1 Cluster Reports / Updates – Cluster Representatives

- **Outreach (Melissa)**

- Two Ministry leaders have been sidelined with illnesses.
- Missions Possible did not bake this fall so they hope the appeal at Mass will make up this difference.
- One of the Pantry Ministry Leaders is ill and the other will be away next month so some interim plans have been created to ensure the ministry is supported.
- Alana (Development and Peace) to present at the February meeting. Jeff to contact her.

- **Mission Jamaica (Magee)**

- Some concerns raised about violence in some of the areas.
- Fundraising is somewhat of a concern.
- Magee is sending a letter to the Stewardship Council with some questions and concerns that she would like guidance on.
- Stewardship Council can revisit this at an upcoming meeting and Magee would be willing to return for the discussion.

- **Liturgy (Fr. Boyd)**

- Kristin has joined the committee.

### 3.2 CWL Report – Magee

- CWL has held their elections and are still determining their Stewardship Council representative.
- CWL is looking for a treasurer so that the current person can transition out of the role.

#### 4.0 Chair Comments.

##### 4.1 Parish Plan focuses for 2017:

- Youth – Support programs like Cast etc.
- Financial Leadership – Renovations / repairs etc.
- Pastoral Care – Grow the areas of pastoral care.

#### 5.0 Pastor's Desk – Fr. Boyd

##### 5.1 Christmas Reflection

- Fr. Boyd thought the Christmas season and celebrations were excellent.
- It was great to see the number of altar servers participating in the masses.
- There was great attendance at all celebrations.
- The Parish was generous and the offerings were very close to previous years with half the usual number of collections.

##### 5.2 Good News – New Parishioners

- 7 new Parishioners since the new year.

##### 5.3 Website Update

- New website is available for review – [www.holyrosaryguelph.ca](http://www.holyrosaryguelph.ca)
- Please send any feedback / thoughts and photos to John McCormick (interim webmaster).
- Cluster leaders to send a note to their Ministries about sending updates, photos etc. to John McCormick by end of February. Pat to provide some directions in the minutes.
- Fr. Boyd is thinking that he would like to identify 1-2 parish photographers. There was a suggestion to establish a group of photographers. Kirstin suggested that we consider asking the CAST team.

##### 5.4 Construction / Renovations Process

- Current team: Stephen Gazzola, Steve Wright, John Miller, Anna Rodriguez, Nancy Leidl, Fr. Boyd
- Areas of focus architecture, fundraising, communications, finance and planning.
- The team is working well together. They are assessing what is best for the parish.
- The focus is on renovations / repairs i.e. rectory, parish hall, outside of buildings etc. An example is the windows in the church.
- Process overview: Assess and make recommendations and then engage Finance, Stewardship Council before sharing with the full Parish.
- Will require fundraising.
- Rodney mentioned the work that was done years ago to assess the parish buildings etc. Documents were provided. Fr. Boyd believes those are being used by the team.
- Magee mentioned that visioning session was held on the use / needs of the parish hall kitchen. Fr. Boyd asked for those to be shared with the team.

#### 6.0 Ad Hoc Committee Reports (Communications, Youth Ministry, Knights of Columbus and Refugee Committee) – As required. No reports at this meeting.

## 7.0 Finance Report – Steve Wright

- As of November, we have some funds in reserve but some of the money is required for Ministries or our Family in Refuge. Our expenses are in line as expected.
- Steve stated that our Parish is a very generous parish.

## 8.0 New Business

### 8.1 Volunteer Appreciation and Recruitment

- We have recommended June 11<sup>th</sup> 2017.
- Suggestions: conduct a Ministry Fair / Ministry Celebration / Appreciation event. Include Ministry celebrations, awards event.
- Steve suggested a Volu-palooza.
- Jeff and Fernando will lead a sub-committee.
- Report back in February.

### 8.2 Parish Family Picnic 2017

- Fr. Boyd asked some questions around the parish picnic. When is the right time for the parish picnic? Who owns this? Can we do something to make it better?
- Rob was asked to take the lead on looking at the picnic and come back with some recommendations for February.
- Potential sub-committee: Rob Lakoseljac, Anna Rodriguez, Dolores Bergin, Nancy Leidl. Jeff to make the connections for Rob.
- Fr. Boyd suggested we look at some activities focused on children to make it more family friendly.

### 8.3 Fundraising Form (Pat)

- Adjustments to policy #445 to ask for more details for fundraising events i.e. planned activities, ticket selling etc.
- Comment made that this doesn't capture non0fundraising events.
- Jeff suggested everyone review and will look for feedback / approval in February,

### 8.4 Camp Ekon 2017 Update (Therese)

- We have selected 2 students from Holy Rosary to attend this summer.
- This is funded by Social Committee. We fund 50% and Camp Ekon funds the rest.

## 9.0 Adjournment

9.1 Closing Prayer.

9.2 Next Meeting – February 15, 2017