

**Blessed Trinity RCC
Parish Council Meeting September 15, 2021**

Pam Zanghi opened meeting at 7 p.m.

Opening Prayer by Bob Hecklen

Approval of minutes of the meeting of June 16, 2021: Sr. Liz Savage proposed, Mickey Dick 2nd

Approval of Agenda of Meeting September 15, 2021: Proposed Dan Korchowsky, 2nd Tom Brodfuehrer

Following election of Luis Clay as President for 2021-22 term, he assumed role as chair of the meeting at 7:30pm and Mickey Dick agreed to complete minutes.

Luis invited nominations for Vice President and Secretary. None were forthcoming.

In excused absence of V. President Colleen Schroeder and her office-holding intentions being unknown, office of VP was left vacant until Oct. council meeting.

There being no volunteers for Secretary's position, decision made to begin new term with secretarial responsibilities shared by various members on a rotating basis.

President called for committee reports/updates per agenda.

Liturgy Committee – Dan Korchowsky

Our 2 days on Prayer Calendar for Diocesan Road to Renewal have been chosen: 10/30/21 (Respect Life month) and 6/12/22. Father Bob will familiarize congregation with concept and our obligation.

Committee's next meeting is Sun. Oct 3 in St. Charles Hall.

Father Bob's update read by Pam Zanghi (copy attached)

Pat Dyer – Road to Renewal "R2R" (verbal report) **and Faith Formation** (copy attached)

R2R – Pat and Colleen attended diocesan Mass at Fatima Shrine; received Renewal prayer cards for distribution and link to Renewal hymn.

Faith Formation – Four parishes of our "family" have already planned Quarterly Inter-generational Faith Formation gatherings. The first will be held Tues. 10/19 at St. Lawrence and will include simple meal. We will host the last quarterly gathering in May, around Pentecost [6/5/22]. Pat encouraged our participation when other parishes host.

Music Ministry – Luis Clay read Elizabeth Clay's report (copy attached)

Fundraising

Bingo – Mickey Dick (copy attached). First 8 weeks have proved to be popular and profitable. Report outlined problems encountered in restarting bingo. Most vexing has turned out to be

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pizza delivery, and Mickey made plea for someone willing to pick up pizza at Raimondo's Pizzeria on Delevan near Eggert on Thursday and deliver to bingo kitchen by 7pm or shortly thereafter. It is \$25 and they accept only cash, which bingo will advance. Pat Dyer agreed to do it every Thursday on her way to bingo.

Coffee Sales – Cathy Cummings reported \$1,450 expenditure to date. Subsequent order will be less expensive because set-up fee for label design was one time expense. Income to date \$195. Current inventory, approx. 25 bags.

Community Life/External Outreach

Food Pantry – Dan Korchowsky reported that number of clients has declined since COVID. Mice have returned and will be dealt with.

Family Promise – Pam Zanghi encouraged members to support ministry and get involved by shopping for Family Promise guests; easy to sign up on their website: fpwny.org.

Compassion Ministry – Sr. Liz Savage asks that we let her know of parishioners who might appreciate a note of encouragement or congratulations; continuing to coordinate 3 volunteers.

Membership/Discipleship Committee – Pat Dyer reported that they have settled on "Discipleship Committee" for name. Bob Heicklen indicated that committee is compiling information for a new brochure on parish organizations and ministries. He complimented Lawler Brown on his successful efforts to reconstitute team of ushers, including first woman usher, Dorothy Manuppelli. Lawler is currently looking for a replacement for AK who now works on Sundays.

Technology/Social Media – Pat Dyer indicated that Father Bob has gathered information on what is needed to bring Wi-Fi to entire parish campus. He is now in the cost analysis stage. Because of Spectrum's packaging, it is difficult to determine how to make internet affordable.

Sodality – Mickey Dick reported that Sodality officers met in August and have planned activities through year end. Will be starting in November to collect donations toward Christmas gifts for homebound. First general meeting is 10/3 with discussion re Mother Cabrini.

New Business

Fall Cleaning of church interior tentatively scheduled for Sat. 11/20. Difficult to select date for pre-Christmas cleaning until we know whether Prison Project is a go. Tentative date for that is Fri. 12/10.

Coffee Hours/Social Gatherings – Consensus that we should not schedule any at this point because of rising COVID numbers.

Advent Project – Sr. Liz Savage asked that this be added to October agenda.

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Summer Projects – Bud Dick expressed disappointed that there had been so little response to request for volunteers to help with various small projects over the summer. One that he really wants to get done before fall is painting of wrought iron railings at wheelchair ramp entrance and on ramp. Bob Hecklen, Rafael Rondon, Dan Korchowsky, & Luis Clay offered to assist with wire brushing, sanding, and painting. Scheduled for 9/20 at 4pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

Closing Prayer led by Pam Zanghi