**Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting Minutes**

**November 14, 2017**

**Present:** Chair:Dave Wilmesher, Nick Burakow, Laura Cox, Jessica DeTournillon, Ed Holzhauer, Loretta Lavanco, Preston Thornton, Zach Key, Deacon Barry

**Also Present:** Joe Day

**Excused:** Father Salvador Anonuevo

**Opening Prayer and Reflection:** Prepared by Jessica

Minutes from last meeting, Oct. 10, were approved and seconded.

**Old business:**

1. Resurrection Catholic Church Constitution and Bylaws changes:
	1. Ed shared the revisions made to the document and they were approved by all present. A copy will be made available for the church, Barry and Joe.
	2. Mission Statement was revisited. Nick suggested changing the wording at the end from “we stand before our neighbors and the world as witness to the life and resurrection of Jesus” to something like “we stand before our neighbors and the world as witness to the life, **sacrifice** and resurrection of Jesus” since we have the Eucharist at every Mass. We will discuss this proposed change at the next meeting, January 9.
	3. PPC Discernment Process: Changes in the wording have been approved so that the nomination and discernment process can be flexible to the needs of the pastor, parish and council. When nomination and discernment is needed in the future, the parishioners will be informed of the exact process to take place. Father Sal may also appoint new members as necessary.

**New business:** *Ideas for future council meetings*

1. Church Security: Confer with the Sheriff’s office (Joe), parishioners with experience, and personal defense trainers (Jessica), to get ideas on how to increase security in light of recent violent crimes at churches. Training ushers for increased vigilance was suggested. Making the left side entrance near the altar an “exit only” door was suggested also.
2. Welcoming New Parishioners: Barry will look into listing new members in the bulletin. It was also suggested to welcome new members by name from the pulpit at mass.
3. Usher head count at masses: To help with budgeting and to provide information when requested of the church. Attendance should be logged. Barry will ask the worship committee about this idea.
4. Tami Akin replacement, as she is retiring soon. Barry has been to meetings with Trinity Ecumenical Church where he has heard of their plans to enlarge the health care, particularly hospice care, portion of their local ministry. Should we join them in this new endeavor? Will we hire a replacement nurse for the parish when Tami retires? Can Centra provide a parish nurse from their program?
5. Changing protocols for use of the lobby. Some parishioners have felt that during mass times the lobby has become more of a marketplace than an entrance to our sacred worship space. It was suggested that we limit selling to after masses or perhaps in a different location.
6. Potlucks: increasing attendance, decreasing frequency?
7. Attracting and retaining young families. Perhaps providing childcare for evening adult education classes.
8. Trademarking “Joyous Junk”. Perhaps speak with parishioners with legal expertise to see if this would be a good idea.

**Closing Prayer:** Offered by Jessica

**Announcements:**

1. Next meeting is January 9, 2018 at 6:30 pm.
2. Zach Key will provide opening and closing prayers.
3. Brad Rings will join us at our next meeting to share the needs of the Tuesday Group.
4. Joe informed us that the front room furnace has stopped working and will need replacement. It is currently being evaluated for a quote. Funds from our reserves will be used to pay for the new furnace.
5. Shortening of Ministry minutes. More information will be put in the bulletins, sometimes in way of an extra flyer. The parish is being notified at each mass during announcements to look to the bulletin for more information.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Laura Cox**