

Mission Council Meeting May 30, 2019

Members Present: Stan Dellinger, John Phillips, Pie Sharpe, Kimberly Norris Jones, Karen Pearson, Jim Lawler, Bob Keck, Deborah Marshall, Donna Andreo, Rob Martin, Fr. Charles Smith, and Becky Keck (ex-officious Treasurer)

Fr. Charles called the Mission Council to order at 6 PM and we began with Evening Prayer.

The Mission Council received prayer requests and agreed to hold these folks in prayer.

Jim Lawler lead a discussion on chapter 4 of Leading God's People. Mission Council agreed in principal to a retreat to discuss who we actually are and what our goal is. Fr. Charles is going to have some dates for us to choose from and a bit of reading for us. We will attempt to have the retreat in August.

John Phillips will assist with leading the discussion in July on chapter 5 of Leading God's People.

Deborah Marshall moves the acceptance of minutes and reports as submitted. Seconded by Pie Sharpe. Approved.

The Memorials and Honors Committee has made a recommendation on a policy for the naming of rooms in response to a couple of recent request to name two rooms here at St. Michael's for individuals. Mission Council is referring this back to the Memorials and Honors Committee for a bit more research and a draft policy for naming rooms for individuals and for naming rooms for saints and not individuals. The Mission Council will review the draft policy at a future meeting.

Jim Lawler gave an update on the ELC 4K classroom expansion. The principals of the contracting company were shot and killed this week and there is a probable impact on the construction schedule. We may need to seek a new contractor. Jim and GC will follow up with the contractor and select a new contractor if necessary. Fr. Charles noted need for clear communication to SMAA parish about the project and how it will benefit ELC and parish families.

### **Ministry Check-In Areas**

**Committee Meetings Task** will work towards getting 1-2 committees going again. Perhaps the Communications committee as a top priority.

**ELC** floors cleaned by Palmetto Sports Flooring and the ELC committee will discuss how to thank him.

**Christian Formation** Jennifer Roberts, DCF has resigned but plans for VBS are well in hand and we will be working towards a new DCF. This fall we will working towards a family service on the second Sunday of the month during the CF hour.

**Stewardship** Becky Keck, Deborah Marshall, Carol Beis will focus on the design and execution of the program for stewardship. Stan Dellinger will focus on theological reflections for the parish on the area of stewardship. Fr. Charles noted the need for a good fully updated contact list. Stewardship celebration will be September 29, 2019.

**Evangelism** Fr. Charles will be working to get a group of folks to assist with recruiting a team to create gift bags by the first Sunday in September and to assist with follow up of newcomers.

**Inreach/Outreach** working towards address list for the neighborhood groups. Successful wrap up of the Burton Pack.

#### **Recommendations from Finance Committee**

Recommend that several bids be received to replace the aging/failing phone system and to fund it from the Endowment. A budget of \$4,500 is recommended. Moved by Deborah Marshall seconded by Karen Pearson. Approved by Mission Council. GC will proceed with getting quotes and has the MC permission to move forward as long as we are within budget.