

St. Mary's Parish Pastoral Council
Minutes from Work Session
April 10, 2017

6:30pm: Everyone present read The Vision statement together.

6:35- Roll Call:

Mark Sovers, June Maiers, Alan Wieskamp, Mary Knight and Kathy Hirl.

6:40 – **Opening prayer** for parish meetings was read together.

6:50 – **Motion to approve minutes** from March Business – Mark Petersen

A second motion to approve the minutes from November – June Maiers

Motion to approve the minutes: All in favor 5, all opposed 0.

6:55 – **Spiritual Journey:** *A church on the Move-* Council will start to read chapters 21-25 for next meeting. Submit topics of discussion to Mark Sovers prior to meeting.

7:05 – **Topic of Conversation for work session:**

a. Discernment Committee:

1. **Start ballet in pews earlier this year.**
2. **May 6-7th and 13-14th for ballets in pew.**
3. **Mark Sovers, Mark Petersen and Nancy Upmeyer to be on Discernment Committee.**
4. **Checking with Adam Haluska and Mary Knight on if they intend to extend their time on Pastoral Council. 2 alternates and up to 2 discerned members to be elected.**
5. **By laws for discernment to be updated with new ballet collection dates.**
6. **Council voted and motion was approved to start ballet collection earlier. Will have a 2nd vote at May Business meeting.**

b. Stewardship Committee:

1. **Discussed focusing Stewardship Committee on core value of running the Stewardship Fair, all committees are extension of the Stewardship pillars. Stewardship committee to be a joint venture with roles clearly defined, joint reporting to Father Tim and the Pastoral Council.**
2. **By laws to be updated with Stewardship committee section, Kathy Hirl to use Diocese resources to start drafting. May vote on changes at May Business meeting.**
3. **Follow up discussion with Stewardship members, Father Tim and Patty Benzing.**

8:15 – **May Pastoral Council meeting:**

Business Meeting Monday, May 15th @6:30pm

8:20 – **Closing Prayer:** all members read the closing prayer together.

8:25 – **Meeting was adjourned.**

a. *Thematic Goal:* **Discernment Committee**

b. *Defining Objectives:* Identify 3 members for Discernment Committee and timing for Discernment of PC members

c. *Standard operating Objectives:* Identified Mark Sovers, Mark Petersen and Nancy Upmeyer as the members who will make up the Discernment Committee. Handouts will start the weekend before Mother's Day and conclude the weekend of Mother's Day. (May 6-7th, 13-14th).

a. *Thematic Goal:* **Stewardship committee**

b. *Defining Objectives:* Identify core mission of our Stewardship committee and spread responsibility to other commissions to support 4 pillars of Stewardship.

c. *Standard operating Objectives:* Stewardship committee to focus on the stewardship drive/fair. Duties spread out among them, committees to help with other supporting pillars. Committee as a whole to report to Father Tim and Pastoral Council.