



# THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

April 2, 2019, 7:00 PM

## I. Opening Prayer/Petitions

## II. Review of Minutes from March Meeting

The minutes from the March meeting were reviewed and approved without change.

## III. Worship Technology Update

Fr. Rick provided an update on this project, which consists of three components: a new sound system, two screens, and a new area for the choir and musicians.

The sound system will be able to target specific areas with sound, as well as eliminate reverberation. Installation is expected to take approximately 4-5 weeks. Consideration is being given to Fr. Marty's Jubilee Mass on June 1. We plan to still have the old sound system and the piano available during construction.

Secondly, there will be two screens installed, one on each side of the wall behind the altar. Fr. Rick stated that both the music and lyrics can be posted on these screens. They can also be used to display announcements and parish events prior to Mass.

The third portion of this project will be the relocation of the choir and musicians closer to and to the right of the altar, in the area currently containing a limited section of pews. Fr. Rick explained that the primary goal of this relocation is to better engage the parish in the music, which he described as "sung prayer."

Finally, Fr. Rick acknowledged the very generous gift made by the Lillestrand family which has made so much of this technology project possible.

## IV. Parish Initiatives FY2020

The Ministry Fair is scheduled for the weekend of May 4-5. Suggestions on how to energize the Fair to make it more effective in recruiting new volunteers included more detailed job descriptions of each ministry, listing specific job duties and anticipated time commitments, plus the opportunity to sign up for individual events. It was also suggested that perhaps future Donut Sundays could highlight a particular Commission and/or Ministry. It was noted that the Commissions can further discuss the Fair at the April 16 Leadership Night. Volunteer recognition event was also discussed

## V. Parish Council Discernment Process

A discussion was held on how to implement the Council's recently approved discernment process for increasing the number of Council members to nine through the addition of two new at-large positions. Fr. Rick set forth a three-step process: Step one is the recruitment/nomination of potential candidates utilizing various means of communication such as the pulpit, the Weekly Bulletin, word-of-mouth, etc. The second step will be a consultation with each candidate by a PC sub-committee, which will focus on educating them on the duties and time commitments of a Councilperson, providing each candidate with the opportunity to discern whether membership on the PC is a good fit for them. Following the discernment process, the third step will be placing the names of those wishing to serve on the Council in a sacred vessel for a random selection on Pentecost weekend, June 8-9. A motion made by Steve M. to approve this process was seconded by Mike B. and passed unanimously.

## VI. Removal of Families Moving Forward Furniture and Supplies

Ed W. brought to the Council's attention that three or four rooms must be cleared of FMF furniture and supplies before construction for Faithful Beginnings pre-school begins at the start of June. The two most feasible options are to rent an off-site facility for storage, or provide the items for sale through another parish. For example, we could sell them at Nativity's annual rummage sale, save the storage fees, then purchase new items should St. Edward host FMF in the future. It was agreed to work with social justice to dispose of these materials and save the storage fees.

## VII: Closing Prayer

**Next Scheduled PC Meeting:** May 7, 7:00pm

### PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bob McBeath	Co-Chair
Michael Soderlund	Pastoral Care
Ed Wilson	Administration
Steve Madej	Social Justice & Charity
Patsy Murphy	Community Life
Lois Hummel	Faith Formation
Michael Barg	Worship
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Ray Sirek	Trustee
Peter Smyth	Trustee
Fr Rick Banker	Pastor
Beth Schorle	Parish Administrator
Celeste Morris	Dir. of Communications

### IN ATTENDANCE

Bob McBeath  
Mike Soderlund  
Ed Wilson  
Steve Madej  
Patsy Murphy  
Lois Hummel  
Mike Barg  
Fr Rick Banker  
Beth Schorle

### Staff / Guests: