

**St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church  
Parish Council Meeting  
June 16, 2016  
Education Building, Room 2.  
Volunteer Hours: 14**

**Call to Order:**

A monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Education Building Room 2 on June 16, 2016. The meeting convened at 6:42pm. President Mary Soparas presiding and Lee Ann Molini recording the minutes.

**Members in Attendance:**

Fr. Mike Ingram, Fr. Peter Hung, Deacon Joe Soparas, Mary Soparas, Gina Jenkins, Rita Lovering, Emily Gibson, Joyce Broughton, Peter Elliot, Don DeClue, Greg Criste. Lee Ann Molini, Paula Spaulding, David Wilkie, Ruth Smith, Terri Vigna, Angie Mallar, Chris Eckert, Alan Thornton, Gene Dollander, and Patrick Matheny.

**Members Excused:**

Bob Amy, Nick Rhea, Mike Hamilton, Crystal Craig, Thuy Nguyen, Tim Przybysz,

**Guest in Attendance:** NA

**Quorum:** yes

**Opening Prayer:** Fr. Mike Ingram

**Welcomed New Members and Thanked those leaving the Council.**

**First Order of Business: Executive Board Election/Installation.**

- Executive Board presents slate of officers: Mary Soparas, Gina Jenkins, & Lee Ann Molini
- Floor nominations: none
- Majority vote as follows:
  - Mary Soparas will continue as President.
  - Gina Jenkins will assume the position of Vice President.
  - Lee Ann Molini will continue as Secretary.
- Installation- Fr. Ingram

**Approval of Minutes:** Yes

**Ad Hoc Ministry Reports:**

- Finance: Report given by Mary. The parish finances for fiscal year ending this month are in good standing and the expectation is to exceed previous annual offertory collections by the end of June. Fr. Mike reported that last month an additional \$250,000 was paid on the loan principal of the remaining debt.
- Communications: Gina Jenkins.
  - Social media projects continue in order to further enhance the communication to include podcasts, email lists for parishioner information, STA website, parish app, Instagram, parish e-news, etc.
  - Bids continue for audiovisual equipment and supplies.

- A YouTube channel has been created and working towards creating the virtual tour of the church.
- Hispanic Ministry: Angie Mallar.
  - The Corpus Christi Procession was well attended.
  - In June there will be two events sponsored by the Diocese that will be offered in Spanish. These events are a Natural Family Planning seminar and a Couples Workshop.
- Vietnamese Ministry: Fr. Peter
  - The Vietnamese Mass on Sunday will be held at the lake with a picnic to follow, all are invited to attend. There will be no 1045 Mass held at the church this Sunday.

**Standing Ministry Reports:**

- Facility: Chris Eckert.
  - The ministry continues to have parishioners volunteer for projects.
  - On 7-20-16, there will be an in-service/meeting for those ministries that use the kitchen.
  - Requested was a calendar for the scheduled events/parties that use the kitchen in order to ensure the upkeep of the kitchen. Terri will work on a calendar.
  - On 6-25-16 there will be a workshop to reupholster some of the education building chairs.
  - The pond irrigation system continues to be an ongoing project.
- Christian: Greg Criste
  - There will be a Christian Service ministry meeting scheduled for all sub-ministry chairs next month.
- Education/Evangelization: David Wilkie
  - There will be a short summer break for activities.
  - Vacation Bible School was a great success
  - In the fall, the new Young Singles Bible Study will become a new ministry.
  - Youth will go to Atlanta for the Steubenville conference this month.
- Parish Life: Rita Lovering, Don DeClue
  - On 10-15-16, there will be a St. Teresa Feast Day Picnic on the church grounds.
  - Plans for the November Veteran's Day dinner are being made.
  - Plans for the September Gala are being made.
  - The next Newcomers Reception is scheduled for 8-21-16 with the expectation of at least 36 new parishioners in attendance.
  - Mary reported that the nursery will start up again this fall, and there will be a need for additional volunteers to 'grow' the program.
- Stewardship: Peter Elliot, Deacon Joe
  - There will be no meeting in June or July. The schedule for next year is being developed.
  - There is information in the lobby of the PLC for parishioners to learn about the goals of the individual ministries. Emphasis is placed on asking parishioners to participate in activities of interest.
- Worship: Joyce Broughton
  - The youth are being asked to take a more active role in the 5pm Mass. They are being trained to be Eucharistic Ministers as well as Lectors.

- Youth: Tim Przybysz. Fr. Mike reported that the youth program has developed and expanded greatly under the superb leadership of Tim.

**Old Business:** none.

**New Business: Ministry Appointments**

- Gene Dollander elected to serve as the Facility Ministry co-chair.
- Patrick Matheny appointed to the Christian Service Ministry as co-chair.
- Alan Thornton appointed to the Stewardship Ministry as co-chair.
- Joyce Broughton to be the Worship Chair and Ruth Smith to be the co-chair.
- Peter Elliot to be the Chair of Stewardship.

**Open Discussion:**

- Mary
  - Pictures are needed for the bulletin, please forward photos to Gina and Carol Harris.
  - The Ministry goals and objectives are due to Mary in the fall with a review of the progress and/or revision of goals in January. Ministry chairs should also review the goals at the end of the year and assess their ministries and sub ministries.
  - The 2016-2017 PC meeting schedule, a new organizational chart, and the By-Laws will be sent out to PC members.

**Pastor's Comments:**

- Fr. Mike again expressed his great appreciation for those that had served on the Parish Council and his enthusiastic Welcome to those new members. Without the hard work of the Parish Council and the dedicated and incredible parishioners who take ownership of the parish, the parish would not 'be the same'. In his 5 years of being Pastor of this parish he has seen great progress to include the development of both the Hispanic and Vietnamese ministries, the outstanding communication and technology advancements, the growth of so many programs for adults as well as the youth, and so much more.

Action	Assigned To	Deadline
Review Goals/Objections	All	June 20

**Closing Prayer:** All.  
 Meeting Adjourned: 8:35 pm.  
 Next Meeting: August 25, 2016.