**Our Lady of Grace**

**Parish Pastoral Council (“PPC”)**

**Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2022**

**ATTENDEES:**

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| **Priests** | Father Kevin Finnegan | Father Nathan Hastings |  |  |
| **2022** | Steve Schreiber (Chair) | Art Hays | Mike DuMond | Lucy Winter (absent) |
| **2023** | Angela Ciagne (Vice-Chair) | Ben Ganje |  |  |
| **2024** | Caron Trierweiler (Secretary) | Bill Egan | Drew Pearson |  |
| **Trustees** | Chip Fuhrmann | Monique Maddox |  |  |
| **Guest Attendees** | Steve Bonello |  |  |  |

**Welcome & Prayer**: Father Nathan began the meeting with prayer. The PPC Chair, Steve Schreiber, welcomed the members to the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes**: Angela Ciagne asked for comments on the May meeting minutes. The members approved the May minutes as written.

**Old Business:**

* New Member Recruiting Update
  + Individuals who were not selected to join PPC have all been contacted
* Reminder - Call RCIA individuals
  + Angela will send a link to the SharePoint document; now includes the phone numbers of RCIA individuals
  + PPC members should call RCIA individuals within the next few weeks and offer coffee or lunch; be another point of connection

**Year End Personal Reflections:**

* What was meaningful (eye opening, learning, successes) to you personally on the council this year? The below were the main themes shared.
  + Starting “coffee & donut Sunday”
  + 75th Anniversary celebration
  + PPC candidate selection process
  + PPC focus group participation in Head of School & Principals search
  + Reaching out to RCIA candidates
  + Synod small group participation
  + Ministry leads coming to PPC meetings so we could learn who they are and how their ministry serves our OLG mission
  + Timely updates from the trustees on budget & finance
  + Drew’s voice on the council as liaison to the school
  + Seeing the success of AOM campaign
* What are you looking forward to next year? Of if you’re rolling off, what do you see as opportunities for next year?
  + Partner or engage PPC candidates that were not selected and/or other parishioners to use their talents in needed areas; using these “action teams” to take on something that is relevant
  + Identify our immediate parish goals; then review what are we thinking for next 3 -5 years. With each passing year how do we drive these objectives forward to keep making OLG a better place, draw in more people and engage them

**Joint PPC/SAC Meeting:**

* SAC & PPC Year in Review (Erin & Steve)
  + Priorities – Return to Mass, overcoming anxiety and making people feel welcome; starting recuring coffee donut Sunday, 75th Anniversary Celebration
  + Bringing in our new Head of School
  + SAC’s return focus to administration including additional K class added, new Preschool, onboarding new staff, handbook, and fiscal budgeting
  + Continue to host class sponsored masses to get families back in the pews
  + Accreditation process is ready for visit for next school year
* Joint Update (Father Kevin)
  + Ghana trip will include 2 teachers & 2 staff members
  + Father Kevin going to the Holy Land including Chip Fuhrmann, 3 teachers, and John Cassady
  + AOM Goal $27.5 mlllion; Raised $27.3 million. Need to secure $0.3 million in pledges. Continue to express that we are a parish about the future, we are not a museum but a ministry
  + Dedication Weekend is Sept 17-18
  + There is an increase of $2.0 million in the budget due to increase in headcount at the school
  + Plate collections are higher than budgeted
  + New head of school is Mike McGinty with vision both inside and outside of school on communication, marketing, and engaging alumni
* Departing Member Farewell (Father Kevin)
  + Father Kevin warmly acknowledged members rolling off including Maria Nuner, Erin Offerdahl, Mike DuMond, Art Hayes, & Steve Schreiber. PPC and SAC thanked these persons for their ministry, faith and leadership.
  + Father Kevin shared that Father Nathan is leaving for Holy Spirit in St. Paul and thanked him for his work and dedication to OLG.

**Contact Us**: The PPC meets the second Tuesday of the month at OLG. The 2021-2022 Council Chair is Steve Schreiber and the Vice Chair is Angela Ciagne. If you have ideas or issues that you would like to bring before the Council, you may reach out to Steve at 507-276-6081 or Angela at 612-616-5985. More information about the PPC, its members and its mission can be found on the OLG web site: [http://www.olgparish.org/parish-Council/](http://www.olgparish.org/parish-council/).