

October 2013 PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES  
(10/7/2013, 6:30-7:30 PM, Hospitality House)

<u>Present:</u>	Fr. Edward Kacerguis (Pastor), Dn. Joseph Romand, James Brennan, Jean Francois, Frederick Gallo, Fran Hyde, Felipe Ortiz, Robert Thayer, William Webster
<u>Excused</u>	Veronica Ahiati, Russell Brown, Katherine Clemente, Kathleen Flynn

Fr. Kacerguis opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes and Chair report (F. Gallo):

- May and September 2013 minutes approved with minor revisions.
- Pictures of new members and new pictures of returning members who want them will be taken tonight.
- The Council is still looking for a Vice Chair.

Pastor's Report (Fr. Kacerguis):

- Last weekend was alumni weekend. The Newman Fellowship was commended for hosting a successful brunch in the lounge. They put a lot of work into organizing the event, which was very well received. A volunteer is being sought to organize and catalog pictures and memorabilia dating back to the 1940s.
- Family weekend is coming soon. The Brennan family is hosting a wine and cheese reception after the Saturday evening Mass and the Knights of Columbus and Tammy Sanders will host a coffee hour after the 10:30 Sunday Mass.
- October 31-November 1: Halloween and All Saints Day will be celebrated as traditionally.
- Mary Simoni, Dean of HASS, is planning a Lenten/Easter concert to be held on Palm Sunday.
- New people need to be recruited as lectors and Eucharistic ministers. One-on-one recruiting is part of the New Evangelization.
- The pointing of the building has been completed except for some punch list items which are in progress. The building will be sealed soon, which should only take a few days.
- For the next six weeks there will be a number of visiting priests while Fr. Kacerguis is traveling.

Newman Fellowship Report:

- No report.

Knights of Columbus Report (F. Ortiz):

- On September 28 the Knights went to Our Lady of Victory to help with their picnic, and drove the leftovers to the Little Sisters of the Poor for donation.
- A First Degree Initiation will be held on Tuesday evening for 4 candidates. The Knights lost 5 members last year to graduation.
- A Habitat for Humanity building event is planned for 10/12/13. Space is limited and sign-up is required.
- The popular Monday night Catholicism video and discussion series is ending. The Knights are investigating another series by Fr. Barron.

Vice-Chair Report:

- No Report.

Old Business:

- Parish fundraiser (F. Gallo): Paul Kraus is looking for a specific date in the spring toward the end of the academic year. He is also looking for 1-2 additional members to form a planning committee.

New Business:

- (F. Hyde) Members of the parish have expressed an interest in an email list with alerts of important events such as wakes and funerals. Fr. Kacerguis indicated that the office will be working with tech people from the Student Union to form such a list, but the challenge is that it not be treated as spam by the mail servers. A request was made that phone calls be made to key people who may not know about funeral arrangements. Fr. Kacerguis requested that he be contacted if anyone is aware of something that is happening and that it not be assumed that he knows what is going on if he has not been informed.

- Foundation news (F. Hyde): The Foundation's Social Change Initiative website has not been launched yet, but should be this week. Mrs. Hyde will notify the Newman Fellowship and the Knights of Columbus when it has been launched.

The meeting concluded with prayer by Dn. Romand.

Submitted By: Robert Thayer