

## PASTORAL STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Minutes for the PSC Meeting on June 10, 2009

7:00 PM Our Lady of the Rosary Hall

### COUNCIL MEMBERS present:

Business Manager-Chuck Tully	Human Concerns-Walt Lundin
Catechetical Board-Jerry Lucha	Liturgy-Kay Williams
Communications-Nichole Khan	OLR Site-Laura Chiu
Community Life-Jeanne Ramos	SAG Site-Kathleen Hart
Facilities-Jim McLaughlin	STA Site-Lorraine Dabney
Finance-Rick Barry	Youth Board-Mary Clifford

**Guests:** Bud McKenna, Ruth Chippendale, Roland Quintero

### Prologue

Jerry called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM. Human Concerns Committee was responsible for faith sharing. Walt Lundin opened the council meeting with a brief background about Sr. Thea Bowman, FSPA (Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration), who he described as full of life, spirit and hope. We all read the Prayer of Sr. Thea Brown. Walt also provided a Faith Sharing question for our reflection: Day to day, how does my faith bring me more alive?

**Father Jeronimo Moment-**Father Jeronimo joined us one last time. Jerry thanked him for being with us and said he was an inspiration who provided us with meaningful homilies. Fr. Jeronimo told us that it had been a very good year, and he learned things that he already knew, but had never applied. He learned how to create unity, which will be helpful in his new parish which has only one site, but four different communities: Latino, Vietnamese, Philipino, and Anglo. He thanked us for this year, and said, " See you around!"

The agenda was approved as written. The minutes were reviewed and approved as corrected.

### Stand-Ins / Guest presenters

Elizabeth Lopez stood in for Juanita Marquez

### Comments and Announcements from PSC Members and/or Guests

MINISTRY MINUTES-Laura Chiu had a question for Nichole regarding the Annual Report, which led to a discussion about archives and the posting of ministry minutes. Jerry pointed out that not all ministries have the same quality of minutes, but if your ministry has good minutes then have them posted. Roland stated that the archive committee would like to get all minutes in computer form. Mary commented that it would be helpful for the PSC to hear from the Archive Committee, and Roland was asked if the committee would like to present next month.

CAR WASH- Elizabeth read an announcement about the upcoming car wash fund raiser, which will help fund the Annual Hispanic Young Adults Retreat. The car wash will be held for four Saturdays at the Pastoral Center from 8 to 3 PM. The dates are June 13, June 20, July 11, and July 18. Donations welcome.

### **CLERGY REPORT**

STAFF MEETING-There was a staff meeting this morning and the PSC Retreat came under discussion. Several changes to the retreat were suggested. 1) that there be a facilitator during the second half of the retreat while we establish our goals, 2) that there be a focused agenda available before the retreat begins, and 3) why do we call it a "retreat", which is a spiritual term; rather, call it a review or refocus.

There is a new diocesan software called Parish Soft, which the Bishop mandate that all take part. It is an informal Parish Census. Four people on our staff are trained in ParishSoft.

There will be a Staff Retreat on the fourth Wednesday of the month (June 24), which will be renamed Day of Review, Reflection, and Refocus.

Father George also passed out a memo requesting each ministry to submit a Ministry Design to Cathy Miller. He provided a model of the Hispanic Ministry as an example. The information was provided in a flow chart format. The Ministry Designs will be passed on to Fr. Thierry so he can have a quick orientation as to who's responsible in each ministry, how many people are involved, contact information, etc. These outlines are due to Cathy Miller by June 22.

Father George presented his idea for STA, which stands for Spirituality Tuesday Associations. He feels the parish needs a night that is associated with gatherings (such as prayer groups, etc.). The idea is to have multiple gatherings, using all facilities, as a way to meet outside of mass. It is hoped to begin in September.

The staff meetings have been moved to the afternoon, and are now from 2-4 PM. The first Wednesday of the month is the ministry meeting to communicate events better on the calendar. The third Wednesday of the month is for a full meeting of the staff. Human Concerns Committee will now be included in the staff meetings.

## **MINISTRY REPORTS**

### **Human Concerns**

The Human Concerns Committee uses all things that surface in their research and readings to educate us in Catholic Social Teaching. Walt Lundin presented his concise report which consisted of 12 events and notables that took place in and outside the parish. Two members of the committee traveled by bus to Sacramento for Catholic Lobby Day. Ruth Chippendale expressed her delight that half the bus was filled with high school students. Laura Chiu added that they wanted to push for legislation to increase the time allotted for a new mother to give up her child from 72 hours to one month.

### **Facilities**

Jim noted that in the past facilities tended to read the report aloud to the PSC. However, tonight in lieu of reading, he suggested we peruse the highlights of the report and he'd be happy to answer any questions. He also welcomes any suggestions on how to report better in the future, if improvement is needed. Some highlights of the report included issues with the Thomas House property line. Also, the architect will come up with a list of contractors as well as help manage the job like a project manager. Also brought to the PSC's attention was the generous donation of funds for the building of a pre-kinder-garden facility for St. Elizabeth Seton School. There are site limitations with space, so an architect has been hired to analyze the feasibility of the addition. If this addition proves impossible, the money will be returned to the donor.

### **Community Life**

Jean opened her report by saying she will be short, and rather than reading past events, she notified us of upcoming Parish events. There will be a Good-Bye Picnic for Father Jeronimo on Sunday, July 28, from 10:30 AM until 1 PM. The Hispanic Community and Community Life will host the event at OLR in the Bar-b-q area. Parishioners are asked to bring salad, dessert, etc. She also asked for ideas on how to welcome Fr. Thierry to our parish, and asked for suggestions. Goals for Community Life include having more activities for newcomers, having more social activities to create community, and to establish a board for the ministry by electing a secretary and co-chair.

### **Old Business**

### **Time and Talent**

The Community Life report sparked a discussion about how to get newcomers linked to our ministries. It was pointed out that a Time and Talent sheet is attached to the registration form. Jim expressed a wish to see people's skills and education listed on the T & T sheets. Roland said they are working on a database for Time and Talent that anyone can access from the computers at the Pastoral Center, so give suggestions to him.

### **Mass Times**

The time of the Good-Bye Picnic raised concerns about overflow of parking at OLR since the event will start during mass. Some suggested moving the 10:30 mass to 10:45, or have the Hispanic Mass start earlier. Jerry suggested polling the site to determine what the parishioners prefer.

### **PSC Retreat**

Due to the lateness of the meeting, Jerry suggested choosing the year's PSC Goals at the next meeting. The feedback forms have been reviewed.

### **PEW**

Walt Lundin revisited the PEW report. He stated he is troubled by it, and hoped to develop a circle of concern to figure out how to fix the problem. He is concerned that there is no movement on the issue and welcomes any ideas on what we should be doing about this. Father George suggested that we should build up Catholic Identity, starting with the youth and young adults. He explained about the Call to Believe, the Call to Celebrate, the Call to Communicate, and the Call to Serve.

### **Volunteer Profile Idea**

An idea for a Volunteer Profile is in the works. It was suggested that a survey form be created for volunteers in order to have a clear picture of who volunteers, the age group, etc. Each ministry would profile their volunteers.

### **Green Initiative**

We briefly touched upon the Green Initiative. World Environment Day is approaching. All Green ideas can be sent to Gerry.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 PM

### **ATTACHMENTS (not included in e-mail)**

- a. Agenda

- b. Human Concerns report
- c. Facilities report
- d. Community Life report

**Next Meeting Date / Time: Wednesday, July 8, 2009, SAG Hospitality Center**

**Ministries to Report:**

- Adult Spiritual Development
- Administrator
- Liturgy

**Opening Prayer and Faith Sharing:** Community Life