

## Sacred Heart Parish Council 2019 AGM MEETING MINUTES

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| <p><b>Sacred Heart Cathedral Pastoral Council</b></p> <p><b>Present from Council:</b> Fr. Slawomir Szwagrzyk, Ryan Sikkes, Eric Soprovich, Cecelia Fraser, JD Caudle</p> <p><b>Regrets:</b></p> <p><b>Parishioners Present:</b> James Corbeil, Vik Sokalski, Monica Lauer, Caroline Knickle, Helene Lapensee, Rudy Couture, Beth Ryan, Marlon Davis, Dawn Kobewka, Monica Best, Kyle Janzen, Maureen Denis, Michael Dougherty, Penny Ferbey, Gordon Miller, Michel Lefebvre, Val Stockdale, Truska Gorrell</p> | <p><b>DRAFT</b></p> | <p><b>Date of Meeting:</b><br/>April 15, 2019</p> |
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| 1. Opening Prayer  | The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm. Fr. Szwagrzyk provided the opening prayer.   |        |              |
| 2. Approval of Agenda                                    | Moved by Ryan Sikkes seconded by Michael Dougherty to adopt the agenda as amended with corrected dates.<br><br>MOTION CARRIED  |        |              |
| 3. Adoption of previous meeting minutes (April 10, 2018) | Moved by Truska Gorrell, seconded by Michael Dougherty, to adopt the previous meeting minutes presented/amended.<br><br>MOTION CARRIED   |        |              |
| 4. Debriefing of Actions Resulting from 2018 AGM         | No actions required debriefing.  |        |              |
| 5. Questions and Comments arising from Parish Reports    | <p>A general comment was made about the many things going on within the parish and that we should be proud of everything that is happening. It was noted, however, that there is a lack of volunteers in many of the ministries – notably Liturgy of the Word and Music.</p> <p>1. Sacred Heart Parish (Rector) – A question was raised about when children should consider being altar servers – Fr. Slawomir suggested after First Holy Communion has been received is best, but there can certainly be exceptions. The seminarians are mentoring them very nicely. Fr. Slawomir acknowledged the change in Mass times was difficult but was necessary – it was acknowledged that the additional options were appreciated, and that the 10:30 am Mass is less busy than ever before, but the Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am and 7:00 pm numbers seem to be going up.</p> <p>2. Parish Council – no questions.</p> <p>3. Beautiful Breakfast – There is a lot of support and guidance for new groups who wish to help facilitate the breakfast and the organizers are hoping to</p> |        |              |

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|                                 | <p>approach the various groups who wrote reports for the AGM to consider hosting a one breakfast per year.</p> <p>4. Music Ministry – There were questions about the note about looking for new hymnals – this is not an active effort, the music ministry is scanning for options that might be a good blend of traditional and contemporary, and would include some new parts of the Mass (with the words reflecting the new translation). A group is working on learning some of the parts of the Mass in plainchant.</p> <p>5. Children’s Alternate Liturgy – no questions.</p> <p>6. CAT Chat – no questions.</p> <p>7. Youth on Fire – no questions.</p> <p>8. NET Ministries – The question was raised whether to bring this group back and the consensus was to do so. The school retreats were very well received by the students at all three Catholic schools.</p> <p>9. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – no questions.</p> <p>10. Catholic Education Association of Yukon(CEAY) – no questions.</p> <p>11. Vanier Catholic Secondary School – Ryan Sikkes committed to working with the other Catholic principals about establishing our volunteer needs so that an appeal could be made to parishioners in the fall.</p> <p>12. Christ the King Elementary School – Gordon Miller described the upcoming David Wells presentations in February 2020 for the Catholic Schools and that there is the ability to host a parish presentation.</p> <p>13. Holy Family Elementary School – no questions.</p> <p>14. Social Justice Committee – Michael Dougherty mentioned that two people from KAIROS visited and did some school visits and a parish presentation. Some school activities are planned with their social justice groups.</p> <p>15. Catholic Women’s League – no questions.</p> <p>16. Knights of Columbus – no questions.</p> <p>17. Mary House – no questions.</p> <p>18. Communauté Francophone Catholique – no questions.</p> <p>19. Financial Statements – no questions.</p> |        |              |
| 6. Parish Council Elections     | No names were put forward to fill the two open spots – interested parishioners should consult Fr. Slawomir.  |        |              |
| 7. Input into Goals for 2019/20 | - Fr. Slawomir asked what the financial priorities for our parish should be:<br>Sound system, new furnace.   |        |              |

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| Council           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To attempt to attract one of the NET team members (or someone similar) to live in Whitehorse to do youth ministry. Through billeting and a small stipend, it could cost as little as \$40,000 per year.</li> <li>- Attempts to outreach to former parishioners or examining why numbers are declining. The Bishop's dinners are a good first step – what could we do next? A survey? Focus groups? Visitations to homes? How do we get feedback from people who wouldn't feel comfortable speaking publicly or confronting a member of the clergy directly...or who have left the parish community completely?</li> </ul> |        |              |
| 8. Other Business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The suggestion to have cards to use during the collection for families who have chosen to donate online to add to the collection plate was made.</li> </ul>   |        |              |
| 9. Closing Prayer | Father Szwagrzyk   |        |              |
| 10. Adjournment   | 8:32 pm  |        |              |