



## Parish Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

### Parish Steering Committee (PSC)

October 9, 2019 at 7 p.m.

St. Joan of Arc– Rooms 11 and 12

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#### Attendees

Fr. James Black, Pastor	
Fr. Steve Smith, Parochial Vicar	
Deacon Steve Petrill	
Frank Voegelé, Parish Steering Committee Chairperson	Kathleen Walsh, Missionary Discipleship Director
Andrea Fuchs, Parish Steering Committee Communications Officer	Shana Leonard, Youth Faith Formation Director
Paul Davis, Mission Director - ABSENT	Martha Rindfleisch, Marketing and Communications Director
Nate Cloeter, Parish Life Chair	Charlie Bush, Adult Faith Formation Chairperson
Kim Tolnar, Liturgy Committee Chair	Jason Risser, NW Deanery Representative
Kim VanHuffel, Adult Faith Formation	Lee Ann Weer, Communications Committee Chair
Patrick McCarthy, Stewardship	Bill and Anne Bielek – Missionary Discipleship - ABSENT
Dan Davis, Business Manager	Tom Bentley – Expanding the Foundation Campaign Co-Chair

#### 1. Opening Prayer – Frank Voegelé

#### 2. Committee Report Action Items

##### a) Marketing Report – Ministry Tent at the Festival

Discussion on the Ministry Tent experience: Awareness of programs was the main goal. Martha noted that a survey of the volunteers was conducted which provided feedback and suggestions. The survey response details (available on the Google drive) will be forwarded to the Stewardship committee and further evaluation will take place, including location of the tent going forward. One noted outcome was that YFF did receive several PSR volunteer sign-ups at the tent.

##### b) NW Deanery Report – Bishop’s Homework – will coincide with discussion later in the meeting regarding goals and objectives.

#### 3. Expanding the Foundation Campaign update provided by Tom Bentley

##### a) We are currently on our scheduled timeline.

### 3.

#### 4. Pastor's Corner

- a) Fr. Black noted that candid, in-depth discussions with the Bishop are ensuing, kicking off with the Convocation. The Bishop is beginning to work via the Deanery to find out how to address the needs of the diocese in general.

#### 5. Chairman's Report

- a) Synopsis of PSC Retreat 9/21/19 – hard copy report provided by Frank
- b) An outcome from the retreat is the idea that this group function as a visionary body for the parish to help people encounter Christ, along with being Fr. Black's major advisory group. To that end, this group will continue maintenance, but also move towards mission, promoting missionary discipleship.

#### 6. Discussion Topics – Goals and Objectives of the PSC

- a) Greeters for mass – promoting connections between parishioners may help with encounters; the importance of the personal invitation and/or greeting – could be powerful, intentional & visible and involve the people who are hiding right in front of us.
- b) Partner parish discussion – explore the option of partnering with another parish in some way. Research and thoughtful, prayerful consideration of how this could be accomplished will be essential. Key topics of this discussion revolved around: helping parishes with fewer resources in the downtown area by providing volunteers – including office work and ministry collaboration; getting outside of the Powell bubble to minister to those who could really use it; taking a program that we currently have to a partner parish; taking consideration to not duplicate existing efforts or pull resources from already established programs, but to have the PSC as an arm of outreach to support an effort that reaches across silos; identify who is in need and ask them what their greatest needs are – ongoing or one-time; fostering relationships between the parishes; steering away from focusing on financial support. Fr. Black will reach out to Jerry Freewalt at the Diocese to see if he is willing to help identify a parish that would be a good fit for partnership.
- c) Fr. Black asked the group to take time to do thoughtful, prayerful consideration of this topic and to write down 3 ideas of things to do or endpoints to reach. These ideas should be sent to the Communications Officer by October 23, 2019 for compilation. The list will then be provided at the next PSC meeting for review and continued discussion.

#### 7. Closing Prayer by Deacon Steve

Meeting closed at 8 pm