

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Pastoral Parish Council Meeting
Minutes

Date: September 18, 2006

Place: Family Room

Time: 6:00pm

Call to Order:

Chair-person, Linda Thompson called the meeting to order. Linda welcomed Bruce Fenton and Michael Kelso to the meeting. Father Rollo led us in a prayer.

Roll Call:

Present: Linda Thompson	Jay Altman	Father Rollo
Eileen Reed	John Karalevicz	Melissa Rourke
Lin Hooper	Peggy Bischof	Tim Coleman
Kay Gauldin		

Parish Members: Bruce Fenton and Michael Kelso were present.

Minutes of the August 06, 2006 Meeting and Picnic were approved as read.

Old Business:

Re: Pictorial Directory should be ready in 3-4 weeks.

Re: Stewardship booklet should be ready soon.

Re: Plans for a new census- Lorraine Whitley is starting on this project. There will be an update later.

New Business:

Meeting dates will be set for the second Thursday of month, usually. The time will be 6:00pm. Dates are as follows: 10/12/06; 11/09/06, 12/19/06, 01/05/07(Friday-gift exchange),01/11/07, 02/08/07, 03/08 07, 04/12/07, 05/17/ 07, & 06/14/07. A separate sheet will be E-mailed for a better reference.

Installation of Parish Council will be held Saturday, October 07, 2006, and Sunday October 08, 2006.

Parish Council Retreat is scheduled at Wintergreen on September 29, 30, and October 01, 2006. More specific information will be E-mailed. We will meet at church and car-pool up the mountain at 6:30pm. Teams will take a turn in fixing a meal for the group. Food will be provided.

Council will make nominations of parishioners to be honored for the Stewardship they have shared with our Parish. This will take place on Thursday, November 16, 2006 at the Eucharistic Celebration. The Annual Thanksgiving Dinner will follow in the cafeteria. The Bulletin will have more details as the date draws nearer.

Council will review, discuss, and evaluate on the **three listening sessions** held in August at the retreat. Father Rolo wants the Parish Council to be the eyes and ears of the Parish. This way we can all work together for the Community of the Parish.

The Minutes need to be out early enough to be approved and entered on the *Web Site*.

RE: Diocese's request to implement the Women's Commission survey- Father Rolo explained that a contact person from our Parish needs to send out the survey. Melissa Rourke and Eileen Reed offered to do this between the dates September 23, 2006 and October 15, 2006.

RE: Search Committee for Director of Christian Formation. Father Rolo requested a search committee to interview those who apply. Therese Rodammer, Peggy Bischof, Eileen Reed and Jay Altman have offered their assistance as the Search Committee for the Director of Christian Formation.

RE: Finance Committee has requested to report on the budget status at the Parish Council Meeting in November. Linda Thompson will set this up with Lorraine Whitley.

The Diocese of Richmond wants each Parish to have their Parish Council to review the *Publication, "WE WALK BY FAITH"*, and discuss it to see if this booklet expresses the way we worship. St. John's Parish Council will review this at their Retreat. This booklet can be downloaded from www.richmonddiocese.org. and read by all parishioners. Educational classes will follow the study of the publication. Bishop Francis X. DiLorenzo hopes that the forthcoming process will afford the opportunity for parishes to renew their efforts at supporting the faith lives of the people. As stated in the introduction we are called to prayerfully consider if the parishes to which we are joined are places where we and others may encounter Jesus Christ in word, worship, community and service.

Adjournment: The Council closed the Meeting with a prayer by all present and a group prayer. The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectively Submitted by Kay Gauldin, Recording Secretary