

Church of the Resurrection

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2023

Attendance:

Pastoral Council (voting members)

Member	Status
Martin Fienkeng	Present
Laura Glaudemans	Present
Greg Jolissaint (RS)	Excused
Bill Judy	Absent
Gina Maclean (P)	Excused
Lorraine Miano-Fike (VP)	Present
Martin Mullan (CS)	Present
Mary Peroutka	Excused
Paul Reif	Present
Carolyn Sherman	Present
Paul Venginickal	Present
Julie Winpisinger	Present

Others in attendance

Clergy	
Msgr. John Dietzenbach	Pastor
Committees	
Lorraine Miano-Fike	Events Under the Tent

1. Call to Order: Pastoral Council Vice President, Lorraine Miano-Fike, called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.
2. Opening Prayer: Martin Mullan said an opening prayer.
3. Roll Call/Quorum: Martin Mullan determined that a quorum was present.
4. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting on the 5th of June were approved between meetings via e-mail.
5. Pastor's report:
 - a. Vision 2020 Construction.
 - i. We meet with the contractor every two-weeks and it seems like there is an additional, unexpected cost increase almost every meeting. The following are a few of the latest examples of cost increases:
 - 1) Small roofs to be placed at the top of each of the church windows (~\$30K)
 - 2) Re-routing electrical cables in the new entrance (~\$42K)
 - 3) New fire announcing system for the school (~\$50K to \$100K)

- ii. We have not asked for any changes.
 - iii. We expect the roof will be completed soon and when that happens, the weather will no longer be a big issue.
 - iv. The contractor is working hard on the school portions of the project (e.g., the hallway)
- b. Vision 2020 Financing:
- i. We are ~\$5M short.
 - ii. Although we qualify for a \$5.5M mortgage loan (from the Archdiocese of Baltimore), we probably cannot afford even a \$5M mortgage loan but probably could afford a \$4M mortgage.
 - iii. We *think* the Archdiocese will approve a 15-year term for this loan (making it more affordable than the current, 10-year loan).
 - iv. In the near-term, we are looking to raise about \$2M
 - v. Envelope Collections. We have started taking up Vision 2020 envelopes on a monthly basis
 - vi. Dedications. Around September, we will start accepting donations to dedicate selected fixtures (e.g., each of the pews) in the new church.

6. President's Report:

- a. The Council generated and discussed several ideas regarding Vision 2020:
 - i. Add a specific prayer to our weekend Masses, perhaps right after communion. This could be taped to the inside of the hymnals. Something like the following:

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for our community and all the changes as we survive and thrive.
We thank you for the generosity of all the donors to the 2020 campaign and ask you to bless them.
We pray for an increase in donations to further our project as we built the Church on earth for Jesus your Son.
We pray for safety for the workers, for conducive weather and for many new members to join us on the journey.
May the Holy Spirit bless all our efforts and bring this project to fruition.
Amen

- ii. To support our fundraising, we could write a letter to every registered parishioner (or family). These letters would:
 - 1) acknowledge and express our gratitude for any/all previous donations
 - 2) provide the pledge(s) and the status of donations made towards the pledge(s)
 - 3) provide an accurate description of our financial situation
 - 4) request our parishioners prayerfully consider making an additional pledge to Vision 2020 or extending their current pledge, if possible
 - iii. Run a silent auction (big money makers at our annual Fall Festival)
 - iv. Conduct an outreach to school families (because the school will greatly benefit from this renovation)
 - v. Redirect some or all of the Annual Gala proceeds to support Vision 2020
 - vi. Have the Annual Golf Tournament benefit Vision 2020
 - vii. Provide a presentation to the RSPS School Board (re: cost-sharing)
 - viii. Ask parishioners to make one additional payment
 - ix. Raffle a tour of the building
 - x. Provide displays to visualize our progress towards our goal (like United Way)
 - xi. Put a QR-code on the backs of our chairs in the tent for donations at Mass
 - xii. Hold an RSPS Alumni event
 - xiii. Conduct a 50/50 raffle
 - xiv. Conduct a “Pay & Pray” car wash (with car getting washed while the owner is attending Mass)
 - xv. “Step-it-up” Campaign (whatever you gave the last time, please “step-it-up” and give a little bit more this time)
 - xvi. Look for possible grants and apply
 - xvii. Encourage our parishioners to add Vision 2020 to their will (maybe advertise a workshop on how to do this)
 - xviii. Make contact with new parishioners
 - xix. Sell “Tent of the Resurrection” tee-shirts
7. Closing Prayer and Adjournment: Monsignor Dietzenbach led our closing prayer and Lorraine Miano-Fike adjourned our meeting at 8:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Martin Mullan.

Next regular meeting—July 31st