



## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES ACTAS DE LAS REUNIONES DEL CONSEJO PASTORAL

### Minutess

Chair: Abel Lomeli-Garcia

Date: 5.27.25

Location: Church Hall

Time: 6:00 pm

Additional Details:

#### Participants (P – Present; NP- Not Present)

Rev. Patrick Cahill (P)	Rev. Dr. Mike Zboyovski (P)	Rev. Dr. John Langlois (NP)	Buster Brown (Chair, 6/25) (NP)	Abel Lomeli-Garcia (Vice Chair, 6/26) (P)
Laurie Zone-Smith PhD (Secretary, 6/26) (P)	Dr. Shawna Hoffert (6/25) (P)	Charles James PhD (6/25) (P)	Laura Morales (6/25) (NP)	Joe Stritch (6/26) (P)
Michael MacCauley (6/26) (P)	Ginny Raviotta (6/27) (P)	Noe Valdez (6/27) (P)	Dr. Daniel Frayne (6/27) (NP)	Terry Ryan (6/27) (P)

**Guests:** MaryEllen Shepard Parish Life Coordinator (P); Amy Arias-Cordova Dir Religious Ed. (NP)

### Discussion

- Call to order at 6:01 pm. Abel Lomeli-Garcia
- Opening Prayer Deacon Mike
- Welcome & Introductions Abel Lomeli-Garcia
- 4.29.25 Minutes Discussion Abel Lomeli-Garcia
  - Minutes were approved by: Joe made a motion to accept and second by Ginny. Motion passed.

### 6 Commissions

- Buildings & Facilities Joe Stritch
  - Joe submitted a written report (May 27, 2025). Last 2 HVAC units should be in place by next week. Completing all 13 units. Vendor did a great job. Roof patching completed last month. Need a critter guard mesh barrier before winter. Significant issues to school roof pooling water over the 63 wing that was replaced years 8 ago. Joe assessing cost and workmanship accountability. Glad to have new folks on the council to join the commission. Had one minor plumbing issue and power outage that Duke resolved since last meeting. Replaced gas fireplace in the rectory. Rectory in good shape.
- Education & Formation Abel Lomeli-Garcia
  - Slow month, Faith Formation has ended for the summer. No vacation bible school scheduled for this year. Focus on the new upcoming year activities. Recruiting for camp Hidden Lake July 14-19/25. Recruiting for 15 more kids to sign up. The cost is \$250.00 and scholarships are available. Shawna suggested to open up slots to other

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area parishes. Micheal suggested Cannon Gate. Rising freshman to graduating seniors eligible to participate. Chaperone's must be over 21 y.o. Abel will suggest info session and ask for testimonial at the session.

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- Evangelization & Communications

Charles James

- Website: Charles talked with Michelle. She does not think that we need a Full-time webmaster. Glad to have a one hour a week volunteer. She requested issues be brought to her attention and she will make the adjustments. New site to be up between June and July. Company who does the bulletin also does the website. Could be a technology minded your to fulfill a service opportunity. Acknowledged it does take skills to manage a website, to make it easy to navigate and keep updated. Terry moved to table the issue until August. Charles seconded. Charles will send the list of changes to Michelle what needs to be updated and she will send to the company to update the website.
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- Liturgy & Worship

Rev. Dr. Michael Zboyovski

- Thank you to Rick Lober and MaryEllen to help build EMs group for homebound. Now have 15 parishioners participating. EMs on a rotation based on need. Next steps message to parish to let us know who needs a pastoral visit with communion.
  - Upcoming liturgy and masses include: Ascension this Sunday and Pentecost the week afterward.
  - We have 3 weeks left of Children's bulletin. Terry said they should tie to Faith formation and perhaps Amy will have resources. Pfum was a publisher of the bulletin. Ascension Press has Faith formation text and may be another resource to find children's publisher.
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- Outreach (Ecumenism)

Ginny Raviotta

- No significant changes or updates at this time.
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- Parish Life

MaryEllen Shepard

- The Potluck Synodal event Speaker (Father Pat) was a great success with 96 participants. Thank you to Shawna for paying for the BBQ. Thank you to the KOC for setting up the tables and break down. Request for prayer time contemplative dimension added similar to Lenten season and continue in Easter season. Suggestions were to Listen to the Word of Gold and then enter into the presentation. Opportunity for table talk about The Word. Thank you to all council members who assisted with the event.
  - June 19th next potluck and speaker. Speaker is Terry Ryan on the topic of Parish Pastoral Plan and synod. MaryEllen has budget for meat.
  - Terry suggested picking September date to announce at June event. Wednesday is choir practice. Thursday is better night. Selected Thursday, 9/18/25 at 6:00pm. Topic of Education (synod and faith formation) OCIA – Deacon Mike and Amy potential speakers.
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- Everyone appreciated personal invite from Father Pat with email invites web blast and phone calls that all encouraged to participation.
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- Parish Planning Finance Committee

Terry Ryan

- During the church year, staff prepare a budget, it is discussed at the finance council, goes to parish council for discretionary funds determination, back to finance council and father implements. Discussed what is projected and choices to recommend to finance council.
  - Year ends June 30. Shared written cash flow projection mand budget worksheet.
  - Parish revenue down this year, received grants and gifts after hurricane and distributed \$300k to the needy. \$140k HVAC systems; \$70K bill in July HVAC. Daycare program increasing. School paying off, school is self sufficient accept for the loan. When loan is paid off should be fully self-sufficient. Family life projection increased. \$29k discretionary fund to discuss. Review and send questions back to Terry. July Michelle does an actual financial statement. Projected cash balance \$29,921.00. Parish council to give input for what projects the council recommends. Special Project items: Restroom renovation (across from the nursery), webmaster, Faith Formation part time for high school, capital repairs savings. Heritage fund \$40k. Joe made motion and Ginny seconded support for Faith Formation hire for high school. Motion carried.
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## Old Business

Abel Lomeli-Garcia

- Council Nominations Vote

Abel Lomeli-Garcia

- Shawna, Charles Laura and Buster have fulfilled their 3 year term and will be transitioning off our council. We thank them for their commitment and efforts made for the betterment of the council, the parish and the parishioners of St. Eugene.
  - Voting completed. Father Pat will notify the 4 new council members and alternate. Buster will notify those who were not selected.
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## New Business

- Real Estate Opportunity with contiguous property to the church/school. Father Pat met with owner of 19 Swift Street (2BR 1 bath) 0.5 acre of land (built in 1951), access from Beaverdam Rd. Property line is shared with baseball field. Consider if worth acquiring \$400k-\$500k. Father Pat asked Mike to do an analysis. Continued campus would give us contiguous space between Swift and Beaverdam. Needs work. Real estate market showing signs of duress and good time to be a buyer. N. Asheville land is not easy to come by. Assess market range value. If build on to school in future will add to school a green space factor. Will also discuss with school. This would be adding a 3<sup>rd</sup> loan. Diocese could assist to evaluate loans. Opportunity to sell in future, if needed.
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| • From the Parish - Suggestion Box  | Laurie Zone-Smith |
| ◦ Video screens with translation in English for Spanish masses. Liturgy is available in the missalette both English and Spanish.                                    |                   |
| ◦ City of Asheville representatives participating in the Going Green tables were loud during mass in narthex was very distracting. Organizers to monitor in future. |                   |
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| • Closing Prayer               | Father Pat         |
| • Meeting Adjourned at 7:57 pm | Abel Lomeli-Garcia |
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**Next Council Meeting: Tuesday 6/24/25 6:00pm.** Location TBD. Welcome and Farewell Potluck gathering with 4 new nominees and off-going members. Location TBD. Buster will send out sign up for potluck. Significant others welcome. Officer elections for Vice Chair and secretary.

*If you have any questions or need additional information about the minutes, please reach out to a Parish Council member. Parish Council members' information is posted on the Pastoral Council bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.*

**2025 Parish Council Meeting schedule (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday) @ 6:00pm in the Parish Hall**