

**Saints Peter and Paul Parish – Waterloo, IL**  
**Pastoral Council**  
Meeting Minutes for August 11, 2009

**Sign of a Christian Community**

**Community building** – How do our decisions foster a sense of welcome and belonging?

**Worship** – How do our choices promote better liturgical celebrations and greater praise of God?

**Evangelization** – How do we continue to share the Catholic faith within our parish and our community?

**Service** – How do we reach out in justice and service to our staff, parishioners, community and the world?

**Attending**

Bonnie Garner (11)  
Deacon Doug  
Kit Foster (School Board)  
Ken Carrico (12)  
Randy Kaiser (11)  
Connie Lutz (10)  
Karen Seaborn (Pastoral Associate)  
Chris Purcell (12)  
Tony Morris (12)  
Anita Toth (PSR Director)

**Absent**

David Miskell (10)  
Fr Osang  
Carol Postlewait (Trustee)

**Guests**

Michelle Knefelkamp  
Kermit Constantine

**Opening Prayer** – Deacon Doug at 7:00

**July Meeting Minutes Reviewed.**

**Active Business**

1. **St. Vincent de Paul Society** Michelle & Kermit updated the council on the Social Outreach Committee's efforts to start a local Conference on the Vincent de Paul Society in Waterloo. The Waterloo Conference will be part of the Belleville Council. The target is to have a formal launch of the conference on Sep. 26 & 27, the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The Conference will be its own 501c organization with a separate account from the parish. Bob will keep track of the finances. They requested that the funds in Social Outreach account be transferred to the new conference account. Michelle updated the council on the financial limitation that families have when requesting funds from the Waterloo Church Help Network and shared that the food pantries are running low on food.
2. **Architecture of Faith Update:** The AFC has received information from Holland Construction providing options and cost estimates for construction on the current campus. They are meeting Thursday night, August 13<sup>th</sup> to review.
3. **Parish Plan Update:** Tony submitted the following reported related to Stewardship. The goal I stated at the last meeting was to sit down with Father Osang and Father

Stan to discuss the information I had gathered from the previous efforts of the Stewardship committee and to get some direction from them on what they would like to see happen in the parish. Father Osang and I were not able to talk on the phone until the middle of last week. There were no dates that would accommodate a meeting between the three of us prior to this month's Pastoral Council meeting. We have a tentative meeting for the three of us scheduled for this Thursday at 5:00 PM at the rectory. Chris, if you are available at this time, please join us.

Randy is working on updating an organization chart for the parish that includes all of the committees and groups. Randy will firm this up as Father Osang and Father Stan have conversations among themselves and the various groups.

4. **Youth Ministry Update:** Connie Lutz provided a summary and the copy of the minutes (attached) from the Youth Ministry meeting on 7/28/09. The group toured the youth house and discussed needs. The goal is to hold all meetings and gatherings in the house so that the parish sees the activity. The youth did assist with the clean up at the cemetery. Donna Burns and Linda Sanders met with Father Osang and Father Stan to discuss Youth Ministry moving forward. The goal is to restructure the Youth Ministry by December 1, 2009. Other goals from the meeting include a regular bulletin section dedicated to youth ministry, commission the youth house, and have a regular monthly mass targeted for Grades 6 to 8 and many other things. There are many initiatives going on in this area.
5. **Trustee:** Father Osang will address the Trustee position next month when he returns. Elections of Officers will occur next month as well.

### **Standing Reports**

1. **SPPS Report** – Kit reported that enrollment is down three students from last year. Lisa is talked to two other families that are considering sending their kids to SPPS. This is good as the school budget was based on fewer students than last year. There is one open position on the school board. They would like to recruit someone with somewhat of a technical knowledge as Cindy Kuhn is no longer part of the board. She handled the web site and other technical issues. We are awaiting word on whether SPPS will take over Bingo at the VFW. Kim Huels is taking an open position as a first grade teacher. Darren Mechler will be attending the Pastoral Council meetings in the future.
2. **Cemetery** – Paul Callahan reported to Bonnie about the work days. Statues were airbrushed, trees were trimmed, graves were cleaned up, etc. 8<sup>th</sup> graders helped out on Friday, approximately 25 people attended on Saturday. Paul is still getting calls about the lawn care. Options are still being reviewed. Paul will be resigning from the cemetery committee.
3. **Finance Council** – Met on July 20<sup>th</sup>. There is a new roof approved for the pre-school. Bids are being sought for repairs that need to be done at the rectory.
4. **Youth Ministry** – Youth Ministry update above.
5. **PSR** – Anita reported that registration is going fine. There are 22 families that are late to register. 6 additional families are asking for assistance with tuition. She is discussing how to assist these families with Bob. There are two weeks left to register. Curriculum training is occurring August 26<sup>th</sup> for the Catechists. Certification training will occur on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Parent Kick off night is September 9<sup>th</sup>. Classes start September 16<sup>th</sup>.

6. **Adult Formation** – Pre Cana is set for September 26<sup>th</sup>. RCIA is moving slow. Only 3 adult ladies are registered at this time. There are 4 young men (less than 16 years of age) registered as well. The RCIA group is looking for a location to meet as the Rectory cannot be used moving forward. The Just Faith program is moving forward. An information meeting is being held on August 27<sup>th</sup>. Information is in the bulletin. OASIS group is meeting September 4<sup>th</sup> during lunch. A speaker from St. Louis is attending this meeting. Small Faith Sharing Groups are being offered again if there is interest. A living rosary is being planned again.
7. **Social Outreach** – See Vincent de Paul report above.
8. **Maintenance** – Chris reported that he is working on the plaster issues in the rectory. He also showed some samples of carpeting and tile that could be used to replace the carpeting in church. After discussion it was decided that Chris should get budgetary pricing on putting tiles under the pews and carpet or carpet tiles in the aisles.
9. **Service** – The service committee will be meeting August 31 to update the master calendar.
10. **Stewardship** – See report in Parish Plan section above.
11. **Worship/Liturgy** – The next meeting is September 29<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

**Review Assignments**

**Time and Place Next Meeting: September 8, 2009 at 7 pm Committee Updates and Elections planned.**