

St. Matthew's Exists in the World as a Visible Expression of God's Love

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – Apr. 27, 2005

Present: Fr. Steve, B. Montgomery, L. Sellars, S. Clarke, J. Sekevich, C. Aligada, L. Sachi, M. Olson. Guest: Beth Behnke, Mark Thomford

Parish Constitution update: copies of latest version of Parish constitution will be made available for review and vote. We can then move to discuss bylaws, etc. should have new constitution available for new council on July 1, 2005. an open forum to ratify is proposed, time not specified.

PC Discernment process: new members to Parish Council decided by lot drawn by outgoing PC members, terms for them to be defined later (one new PC member will have a 2 year term, the others will be 3 years). Fr. Steve elaborated further that Pentecost Sunday was chosen as the anniversary date to select new PC members going forward.

Follow Up reports: Cindy Hoffman hired as new Bookkeeper, coming from St. Francis / St. James where she had a similar position. Starts May 5.

Beth Behnke (Ed. Dir.), gave report to PC on child care center (CC). Fr. Steve proposed that St. Matt's adopt a position of subsidizing CC to be consistent with the Parish mission and remain a relevant presence in the community. Suzanne Clark suggested a working group, in cooperation with Maureen Gitland (DD) and Beth, to work at promoting CC, and improving the community perception of the service it provides, by engaging parishioners.

No further word on Cristo Rey, they are looking at St. Francis / St. James as a possible site. They are still looking at 2006-07 as their start of school year.

Other agenda items not addressed, will be on May 25 agenda.

Meeting adj. at 9 PM. Respectfully Submitted, M. Olson, Parish Council