St. Peter Church Pastoral Council Meeting May 12, 2015 Minutes of the Meeting

Present:

Rev. Jerome Foley, Pastor Sr. Hilda Sandoval, M.F.P. Deidre Watson, President Kathleen Bissell Regina Cuevas Maureen Geneste Steven Arms

Absent:

Art Angst, Pastoral Associate (ex officio)

Opening Prayer

Sr. Hilda led the Council in an opening prayer.

Welcome / Introductions

Fr. Foley welcomed Steven Arms to the Counsel and each member introduced him/herself to Steven. Fr. Foley then shared his views of the role and purpose of the Pastoral Council in service to the St. Peter Community.

Old Business

Parish Survey

Fr. Foley indicated that the parish survey would be delivered to parishioners by the end of the month of May and will be presented on the parish website, as a handout in church and announced in the bulletin. It is important that we all encourage parishioners to complete the bulletin as the results will be critically important in future decisions for the parish.

Pastoral Council Vacancies

Several vacancies remain on the Council and members spoke about several prospective candidates that would be invited to the next meeting in June.

Fr. Bill O'Connell's 60th Silver Anniversary Celebration

Maureen provided a brief update and Fr. Foley concurred that the organizing committee has the event, scheduled for May 31, well in hand and will assure that the event is a tremendous success and a worthy recognition for Fr. Bill.

Bible Bingo

Maureen provided an update on the Bible Bingo event that is tentatively scheduled for the Fall. She described the potential cost and the technical requirements. She and Kathleen will work out the details on the audio requirements for the event. Donations for hotel accommodations, airfare and transportation of the talent to and from SFO were also discussed.

Mother's Day Orchid Sale

Profit from the orchid sale brought a net return of \$500 to St. Peter Church and was a tremendous success. A number of parishioners really enjoyed the special recognition during Mass. It was suggested that, next year, consideration be given to recognizing all women who support children in various roles.

Donuts / Name Tag Sunday

Maureen led the discussion and confirmed volunteers and assignments for the upcoming Name Tag Sunday on May 16 and 17. Council members volunteered to assist at each of the Masses.

New Business

Regina suggested that we consider, as part of the Gala Celebration of St. Peter Church's Silver Anniversary next year, hiring an "Evening with Sinatra" performer who recently did a fantastic performance for the Spindrift Players. The Council discussed how the event might unfold and who might head up the coordinating committee for the Gala.

Other

Fr. Foley shared details of his recent discussions with the Liturgy Committee and the Finance Committee and provided his thoughts on addressing the outstanding mortgage obligation.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be held on June 16(?), 2015

Closing Prayer

Fr. Foley led the Council in a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted: Kathleen Bissell, May 15, 2015