

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 16, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Father Fred and Janine led with a prayer.
Members attending: Doris Brodeur, Gary Chmielewski, Mary Kella, Janine Marrone, Gail Rollins, Deacon Tom Grant, Father Fred Tillotson.

Excused absence: Dick Clark Resignation accepted: Bob Dailey

- Fr. Fred moved to approve the April 11 Minutes as read, seconded by Gary Chmielewski.
- Pastor's Report:
 1. Cars trespassing on church property. Boulders will be installed within a short time, and paid for by Diocese, to eliminate current trespassing through our property.
 2. Construction of new rectory. Father has been in touch with the Diocese relative to the construction of a new rectory on OLMC property, as the Bishop has requested. Finance has been approved, with the funds from the sale of the current facility to be used and augmented with monies currently on hand. The Finance Committee has approved this project. Other issues need to be resolved by the Diocese and will be overseen by Deacon Tom.

Motion: The Pastoral Council supports the construction of a new rectory on church property, funded by the sale of the current parish house and augmented by funds from the parish savings account. Moved by Doris Brodeur, seconded by Deacon Tom Grant. Motion carried.

- Committee assignments: The Action Plan initiated at the April meeting indicated a need to assess the overall health of our community and prioritize our weaknesses.
 1. The first area to be examined was our "Lack of a clear financial plan for fundraising". Discussion ensued re the value of community building during fundraising and the need for a "Wish List" to inspire interest and excitement from parishioners.
 2. Other areas touched on creation of a year-long education calendar by heads of miscellaneous groups. A suggestion was made to form a Stewardship Committee comprised of the heads of these groups.
 3. The need for better scheduling communication with liturgical ministry members was also discussed. The possibility of a staff person to monitor this was suggested..
- **Action:** Members are asked to continue to address these needs/concerns at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Gary Chmielewski, seconded by Gail Rollins at 6:05 p.m. The next meeting: June 20 at **4:00 p.m.** Prayer: Gail

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kella, Secretary

Father Frederick J. Tillotson, O.Carm
Pastor

Doris Brodeur, Ph.D., MA.
Chairperson