

**Cathedral of the Assumption
Parish Council Minutes
November 16, 2017**

Those present: Margaret Brosko, Mary Jane Choi, Albert Holmes, George Kaissieh, Don Kavanaugh, Barby Knebelkamp, Jack Lydon, John Smart, Leslie Smart, Morgan Sprigler, Eric Thorne, Angela Wiggins, Fr. Michael Wimsatt.

I. Opening Prayer

Council Chair Leslie Smart called the meeting to order, and Father Wimsatt led the group in a prayer.

II. Review of Minutes

The minutes of the October 19, 2017 council meeting were approved as submitted.

III. Pastor's Report

Fr. Wimsatt has been reviewing the current Constitution and Bylaws to recommend changes that clarify what we are charged to do. He also recommends a smaller number of members. (The Archdiocese recommends 8-12 members. It also recommends term limits for committee chairs.)

Leslie Smart suggested numbers of At-Large Members could decrease by attrition over time.

In the coming year, we will work on updating these documents to reflect what will be most effective for our council.

The Finance Committee has been presented with the list of short range and long range goals that came from Discernment Process and from the Facilities Manager. Recommendations for addressing this will be forthcoming from that committee. An endowment or capital campaign will be considered. The Parish Council will assume its role in the process.

IV. Committee Reports & Special Reports

Submitted in writing to council members in advance of the meeting.

Other points discussed:

Barby Knebelkamp asked if there is a safety plan in place should there be an active shooter onsite. There is an emergency plan for storms, fires, etc., but at this moment there is not a specific plan of action for that. The Archdiocese is also examining this issue.

Let's Dance Louisville has 4 dancers committed to this year's event so far. The committee is working diligently to secure more corporate sponsors and auction items. Catholic High School groups are being encouraged to do their own fundraisers to support the effort as well.

Leslie Smart thanked Don Kavanaugh for the Parish Council name tags. (They are kept in Vesting Room; please return after use.)

V. New Business

(a) Holiday Party – Don Kavanaugh offered his home for the Council Party on December 17.

(b) Eric Thorne announced that with much regret, this was his last Council Meeting. He and his wife are joining a parish in Indiana for their son Ethan to attend school there. He was thanked for his years of service.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7 pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, January 18 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Wiggins, Secretary