

**St. Francis Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
September 25, 2006**

Attendees: Fr. Michael Oenbrink, Bill Burger, Steve Cunniff, Bob Doyle, Mario Doria-Medina, Sr. Kathleen Kane, John Mack, Audrey McGovern, Rich Rochelle, Art Tonkinson

Also in attendance: Mike Flint, Leo Roell, Jean Schneiderwind

The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Fr. Mike

- 1) The Minutes from the August 28 meeting were approved with the following modifications: typo corrections on page 2 and 3; addition of a note that Fr. Mike, Fr. Theo or Sr. Kathleen must be present to have an official Parish pastoral Council Meeting.**
- 2) Mike Flint presented the end of fiscal year Income/Expense report and the Investment Portfolio status**
- 3) Leo Roell presented a draft of the Annual Report that will be available to the parish.**
- 4) Sr. Kathleen report:**
 - a) Discussed the Centering Prayer schedule through the end of the year.**
 - b) Dr. Sr. Carole Riley will present “Communicating with God” lecture at the Seabrook of Hilton Head on Sat., Sept. 30.**
 - c) Rev. Sidney Griffith (professor of languages at Catholic University) directed a forum last weekend (Sept. 21 to 23) at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Savannah on Christianity, Judaism and Islam. It was attended by some members of our parish and was well received.**
- 5) Old Business**

Mission trip report from Bob Doyle which was tabled at last month’s meeting was discussed briefly. All indicated that they had read the report and were pleased with the accomplishments.
- 6) New Business**
 - d) Art Tonkinson addressed the issue of criteria for forming new parish ministries. Art and Bob Doyle will review the application form for possible additions and also define the approval process and the best way to communicate the process. Rich Rochelle indicated that we need a clearer definition of a Ministry and eliminate those that do not meet this definition (i.e. call them something else)**
 - e) Greeters at mass:**

Audrey suggested that the SCC teams may be a good source of greeters and Art will follow up with Ron Naumann to determine if that is feasible.

Bob Doyle indicated he will set up a “greeter” table at this weekend’s Ministry Fair.

- c) The Youth Ministry was discussed in detail. Fr. Mike indicated that Kim LaMotte Tovar would no longer head up the Youth Ministry and that in any case the ministry needed a much more comprehensive support group to be effective. John Mack and Nathan Klein will review this subject to determine how best to address the problem. Bill Burger requested to be part of this effort. Fr. Mike indicated that Gerry White had responsibility at the Diocese level for the Youth Ministry.**
- d) Ministry Fair (after masses this Sat. and Sunday):
The Parish Pastoral Council will have a table at the fair and Art requested volunteers to represent us there.**

Fr. Mike adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM with a closing prayer.

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Oct. 23. Note that the November meeting will be on Nov. 27 and there will be no Dec. Meeting