

# **Saint Mary Pastoral Advisory Council Minutes**

Monday Oct 30, 2017

**Attendance:** Three members were absent.

**Call to order and Opening Prayer:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm in the parish office conference room by our Vice Chairman Paula Long, and Father Alex Gonzalez led us in the opening prayer.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the last meeting, Sept 26, 2017, were approved unanimously as written with no discussion or changes.

**Reports:** The following reports were presented.

- 1) Finance                      John Heeden  
Oral and Written report presented. We are better, financially, than last year but have plumbing issues.
  
- 2) School                        Lynn Magoon.  
Oral and written reports presented.
  
- 3) Faith Formation/Youth Activities    Renisha Gonzalez.  
Oral and written reports presented. Confirmation will be on Tuesday March 20. With the birth of her baby, Renisha will be out of the office for a few months.
  
- 4) Liturgy                        Carole Sears.  
Oral and written reports presented. Mass attendance yearly count: 2016 604 males, 505 females, 2017 573 males, 698 females.
  
- 5) Hispanic Ministry        Father Alex Gonzalez  
Oral report presented. Hispanic youth were meeting every other week, that was too confusing. Now they are meeting weekly. Cursillo is big in the Hispanic community. When I ask for help they show up every time. But we need baby sitters for them. 586 at the 1:00 mass.

6) AAMEN

Renisha Gonzalez

Oral report presented. We are getting ready for Nov 3 Gala.

No other African American activities for our parish are planned for the upcoming year. We support activities throughout our Diocese and they support us. Looking for more ways to engage the community.

7) Social Committee

Oral report presented. Appreciation dinner for ministry members  
December 01.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- 1) New Parishioners Welcoming Ministry Breakfast, Nov 5.
- 2) Our new Bishop Luis R. Zarama is reviewing everything in our Diocese.
- 3) Social committee member should be a voting member. Unanimous yes
- 4) Proxy votes not permitted. Unanimous yes

### **New Business:**

- 1) Suggestions from parishioners. Will write a response.

**Closing Prayer** – Carla Berger