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Pat Hinds	SK Site	Marlynn Paul	OLP Site
Denise Waltenbury	SK Site	Jeannette Rainville	OLP Site Absent

Minutes

MEETING DATE: Thursday, March 23, 2017 @ 7pm

LOCATION: Board Room of our St. Kevin Site

Our PPC met on March 23rd and discussed the following pastoral issues:

(1) Advertising in the Parish Bulletin; (2) Safe Parishes Initiative; (3) New Evangelization Summit; (4) Rick Hanson Foundation Grant; (5) New 5 Year Plan/New Parish Initiatives; (6) ALPHA; (7) Hiring for new secretary; (8) Grant from the Royal Bank

The following is a brief summary of the conclusions we reached.

Re: (1) Aline has concluded that, based on our population and numbers attending Mass, advertising in the Parish bulletin is not viable in our situation.

Re: (2) No new information.

Re: (3) There are a significant number of St. Kevin's Parishioners planning on attending, so we will be well represented at the Summit.

Re: (4) Gord is waiting for a quote to update our automatic door system and handicap washroom for accessibility at our St. Kevin Site. He hopes to be able to submit a proposal to the Rick Hanson Foundation by the grant deadline of March 31st.

Re: (5) Fr. Michael proposed opening up a brainstorming session to any interested Parishioners in order that we receive input from the widest possible number of parishioners. It was agreed this would be a helpful route to take as we establish a new Parish 5 Year Plan, and a date was chosen for this session: Saturday, April 22nd from Noon to 4pm.

Re: (6) ALPHA may or may not be a good fit for this Parish, but in any event, is premature until our 5 Year Plan clarifies our priorities.

Re: (7) Trudy McEwan is retired, effective March 31st. Fr. Michael proposed 2 possible scenarios for staffing the Parish office. The first would see replacing the position with a new Receptionist/Bookkeeper, with a slightly altered work schedule of Tuesday-Friday, 9-1 for the same 16 hours/week. The alternative scenario would see hiring just a Receptionist who would work Tuesday-Friday, 9-Noon, for 12 hours/week. We would advertise for both possibilities, and make our decision based on the applications received. The PPC agreed with this proposal.

Re: (8) Aline mentioned the availability of a \$1,000 grant from the Royal Bank offered to agencies in the Valley who would also provide a volunteer work experience for some young people. ELEVATE (coming in May) was suggested as an excellent way to direct this offer, as it is a community orientated ecumenical effort which is widely supported in our community. Aline to follow up with Fr. Michael, once this year's ELEVATE projects are announced.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24th in the Board Room of Our Lady of Peace Site at 7pm.