**Stewardship Commission Meeting Minutes, June 25, 2016**

Present: Bill Nash (Cochairman), Carlos Villarreal (Cochairman), Ed Spencer, Mark Patterson, Marion Kinsey, Bob Walsh, John Phillips (Staff) Deacon José Blakeley

Absent: Marie Hedden, Greg Van Hollebeke, Jay Green (Pastoral Council Representative)

Opening prayer by Bill Nash and “check in” around the room.

The minutes of the May 21, 2016 were read and approved with changes.  *(Carlos to provide a marked up copy)*

**PROGRESSING TOPICS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**\*Ministry Fair**

Thank you Masses on Sunday, June 26 and 5:00 pm Saturday, July 2 will be offered “For those members of Parish Councils, Commissions, and Ministries who offered their time and talent at the Ministry Fair and for those new volunteers who offered their time and talent”

New volunteer follow-up with parish ministry leaders: Bill Nash agreed to contact the Newcomers Social Committee chair to determine willingness to contact the heads of the various Councils, Commissions and Ministries who received names of volunteers as a result of the Ministry Fair. The purpose is to determine if of those who volunteered actually became members.

**\*Upcoming Parish and Stewardship Calendar of Events**

Bob Walsh will contact the Parish, review the calendar of events, and select those that pertain to the Stewardship Commission.

**\*Discernment Day**

Discernment Day, June 4, was cancelled and may be replaced with a leadership day possibly in September.

\***Meeting with Father Jim**

There is a need to schedule a meeting with the heads of the Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Stewardship Commission and Father Jim to address Parish priorities.

\***Reading “Divine Renovation” by Father James Mallon**

Discussed chapter4

**\*Newcomers Social Committee**

The last social was held June 4. There were about 12 newcomers plus parish members. The next Social will be in October and will be open to newcomers and any parish members.

**\*Commission Chair and Member Transition**

Three members: Cochairman Bill Nash and members Ed Spencer and Mark Patterson are leaving the Commission. Carlos Villarreal will become the Chairman. John Phillips, Staff Representative, will be retiring July 1. Thank you all for your devotion to your duties and hard work. God bless all of you.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Pastoral Council (Jay Green) via e-mail**

“Priorities have been set and mailed out to chairs.

Looking for new suggestions from stewardship on revenue generating opportunities.   
 New chair will be named in July”

**Parish Staff (John Phillips)**

Annual Catholic Appeal (April 2016-March 2017)

Goal: $147,418, Pledged: $124,372, Shortfall: $23,046 Cash Received: $84,489

Donors: 383 Average Gift: $324

Goal calculated by the Diocese using in part number of parish families: 2083

St Brendan Parish figures closer to 1700 families.

Annual Catholic Appeal (April 2015-March 2016)

Shortfall: $6800 The Parish requested that the Diocese forgive the requirement that the shortfall be paid by the Parish. Request denied. The shortfall is being repaid over 12 months.

Final results for the Parish’s budget for the period July 2015 through June 2016 are not available but it is assumed that there will be a deficit.

The Parish budget for the period July 2016 through June 2017 is balanced.

**NEW TOPICS**

**Parish Administrator**

The Commission agreed that Father Jim be approached about having the chair or a member of the Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Stewardship Commission assist him during his selection process for the Parish Administrator. It is understood that any assistance will be strictly advisory and the hiring decision rests solely with Father Jim. Bill Nash has agreed to contact the chairs of the other two councils and provide the results to Deacon José who has agreed to approach Father Jim during their monthly meeting.

Robert Walsh