

**St. Michael the Archangel
Parish Council Minutes
May 10, 2010**

Present: Msgr. Tolentino, Jane Molloy (Chair), Bob Johnson (Vice Chair), Jim Robertson, Anka Ostrega, Timothy Gondré-Lewis, Aimee Valenzuelo, Tony Calaro, Deacon Ronald Ealey, Patty Marroquin, Carolyn Aliaga, Wendy Alfaro, Lilian Juarez Cordero, and Reverend Daniel Malaver.

Absent: Edwin Mendez, Michael Jones, Veronica Menjivar, Bob Ebling, Deacon Steven Frye, Kitty Ealey, Joanie Heavey, Charles Eames, and Sharon Knight.

The meeting was called to order by Jane Molloy, Council Chair, at 7:10 p.m. and the Council members recited the St. Michael the Archangel's Mission and Vision Statements.

Opening Prayer. The opening prayer was led by Deacon Ealey.

Approval of Minutes

- The minutes from the April meeting were approved as circulated.

Volunteer Appreciation Event Subgroup Report (Tim Gondré-Lewis)

- Over 283 people have signed up to attend the dinner on May 23, 2010 and responses are still coming in.
- Tim reported that planning for the event is continuing and that the next meeting would take place immediately following the Parish Council meeting. All members are welcome to participate in the planning group.

Strategic Plan Subgroup Report (Deacon Ron Ealey)

- Deacon Ealey reviewed the work of the Structural Plan working group. He reviewed the work that had been done on the assessment of parish strengths and weaknesses and asked that Parish Council members who would like to add their assessments to e-mail their thoughts to him by the end of the week. The next task to be undertaken is to review the old plan and assess those goals. He indicated further that the group planned to have a working draft of a new document by the end of August, 2010.
- Monsignor Tolentino commended the group for undertaking indicated that he was pleased that the group seemed to be reaching a consensus on the assessment.
- Anka mentioned the need to get the strategic objectives permeated through all the ministries so that all are working toward the same goal. She suggested that a meeting of ministry heads might be considered. Monsignor noted that the 2005 strategic plan began with a town meeting of parishioners.

St. Michael School Update

- Monsignor mentioned that the school had achieved close to 70 percent of its enrollment goal. He also noticed that the faculty had signed letters of intent and that the Juan Diego funds needed to be zeroed out for next year.

Parish Council Elections

- The June Council meeting will feature election of a new Council Chair and Vice Chair. Appointed members whose terms extend beyond November, 2010 and eligible. These members are: Wendy Alfaro, Tony Calero, Lilian Juarez Cordero, Timothy Gondre-Lewis, Sharon Knight, Anka Ostrega, Jim Robertson and Aimee Valenzuela.

Pastor's Report

- Monsignor noted that he had appointed Andrew Petito to membership on the Finance Council.
- He suggested that he would like to schedule a Parish Council retreat.

Ministry Liaison Reports

- Few ministry reports were received for the month.

Other Business

- Deacon Ron Ealey raised the question of whether the policy for the use of the Williamsburg Room by individual parishioners should be modified or whether exceptions should be made. At issue was a request by an active parishioner for the use of the room for a small wedding reception. There was considerable discussion of the request and policy. The main concern was where to draw the line if exceptions were made to the policy. It was ultimately decided that the policy should remain as it is.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting (June 7, 2010)

- Agenda items for the next meeting will include the election of officers and further updates on the Strategic Plan and the parish finances.

Closing Prayer

- The closing prayer was offered by Monsignor.

With no other business coming before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.