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Parishes of

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) MINUTES **Parish Meeting Room** **9 March 2017**

1.0 PRESENT

Glen Clunie, Dennis Hancock, Harry Leusink, Francie Light, Msgr Trevor Murray, and Camilla Petio.

2.0 APOLOGIES

Danny Nicholls

3.0 PRAYER

The members prayed a passage from next Sunday's Gospel, Mt 17: 1-5, then shared their reflections and thoughts.

4.0 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read. They were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

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Governance/management: The difference between the role governance and management was reiterated. The PPC's role is one of governance.

Distribution of Holy Communion: Dennis expressed his annoyance at the way in which the distribution of Holy Communion is taking place. The members accept that it is not a perfect system – people make it imperfect. However, the consensus of the meeting is that we continue *as is*. Msgr Trevor is to speak to this at Mass and the ushers are to position themselves at the far left hand block of pews and at the chapel at Communion time to get those parishioners to wait until directed to go to Communion using the centre aisle.

Music Director: Dennis recalls that we had mentioned having a music director. Msgr Trevor will raise this issue with the Parish Liturgy Committee.

Finance & maintenance: The Parish Finance Council will be reporting back to the parish on these matters in the not too distant future.

6.0 PARISH SURVEY AMONG SCHOOL PARENTS

The meeting thanked Dennis for the work he put into this. It is an excellent draft but still requires work.

It is important that we are clear about the AIM and PURPOSE of the survey. When Msgr Trevor first raised this issue it was in the context of *inviting* those non-practising

Catholic parents in the school community to see what the parish has to offer. The question is: what can we [the parish] do to make these parents consider coming to church on a Sunday and becoming active members of the parish, as well as the school.

The Proprietor's Representatives on the BOT discussed the survey at its recent meeting. It was thought that it may need to be shortened and that the language be considered.

The meeting asked Dennis to meet with Danny to look at another draft.

The final draft needs to be ready for the BOT April meeting.

7.0 POLICIES

Msgr Trevor presented the meeting with Draft Statutes for the Parish Pastoral Council. The draft was discussed and Msgr Trevor will prepare a second draft.

The issue of the 'term of office' of members and the need for succession planning was raised. We need to ensure that we get new blood and young blood on the Council.

Once this draft is approved by the Council it will be the template for the other groups in the parish.

The meeting noted when members joined the present Council and when, under the draft Statutes, they will retire.

Name	Appointment Date	Retirement Date
Glen Clunie,	2014	2018
Dennis Hancock,	2012	2017
Harry Leusink,.	2014	2018
Francie Light,	2012	2017
Msgr Trevor Murray	ex officio	ex officio
Danny Nicholls	2012	2017
Camilla Petio	2014	2018

All members were asked to look around the parish and see who might be excellent members on the Council. All members are to bring names and the respective skill sets/gifts of the nominated person(s).

The meeting noted the need to build up its set of policies.

8.0 HEALTH & SAFETY

Daniel McGlynn is willing to assist as the parish's Health & Safety officer for Taupo. Turangi has a person already in place.

9.0 YOUTH MINISTRY

Ryan Foord, our youth minister, has been introduced to the parish and has begun his ministry.

He leads the G1 Youth Group on Friday nights for Years 7-9. Ryan also works with the Rotorua youth group.

Msgr and Ryan visited the two Taupo secondary school to gauge the possibility of Ryan having a presence especially for the Catholic students attending these schools. This will be a continuing work in progress.

Msgr Trevor's vision is still to have a youth ministry team based in Taupo and available across our Collegial area. It is hoped to have this in place in 2018.

Fund raising: We have received a grant from the Pipe Trust and are in the process of applying for catholic and community grants. Harry also suggested a collection box at the Cafe for youth ministry.

10.0 GENERAL

Herapeka Block

A question was asked about the Herapeka block. The compliance processes are coming to an end. The parish is commissioning a land agent to sell the property on its behalf.

The Parish Finance Council will publish an information report for parishioners.

Alpha

A core group is being put together. It is hoped to be able to publish a start date by next week.

11.0 PPC MEETING DATES 2017

Thursday, 13 April: Holy Thursday – NO MEETING

Thursday, 11 May

Thursday, 8 June

Thursday, 13 July

Thursday, 10 August

Thursday, 14 September

Thursday, 12 October

Thursday, 9 November

Thursday, 14 December: – NO MEETING

12.0 NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 11 May 2017, 7.00 pm in the parish meeting room.