

# Saint John the Baptist – Evangelization & Stewardship Commission

## Meeting Agenda/Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	January 15, 2019	<b>Time:</b>	6:30 pm (5:30 dinner; 6:05 prayer)
<b>Chair/ Vice Chair</b>	Linda Harmon Charlie Nickoloff	<b>Location:</b>	St. John's
<b>Recorder:</b>	Neil Steffl (This month)	<b>PLC Rep:</b>	Neil Steffl

Member	Present	Member	Present	Member	Present	Staff Rep.	Present
Linda H.	X	Jim S,	X	Melissa Strunc	X	Bret S.	Absent
Charlie N.	Absent	Neil S.	X				
Mark H.	X	Kate A.	X				
<b>Staff Representative:</b>	Bret Sutton						
<b>Guest(s) &amp; Purpose:</b>	Connor McGinnis, Seminary Student observer; Kelsey Rose discerning membership						

### Parish Mission: GO. MAKE. TEACH

**Opening Prayer** Linda led the opening prayer

#### Administrative:

- December Minutes were approved as amended.
- Commission Membership: E&S is short 2 members. Kelsey Rose attended as a potential new member.

#### Goals

- Financial Giving Workshop. Linda continues to pursue conversations for development of a workshop.
- “Welcome to our Church Mass Guide” – E&S recommendation was routed to Pat Rother, Worship Commission, at the December PLC meeting. The Worship Commission will discuss at their January commission meeting. PLC will follow-up with Worship before our February meeting to keep this moving along until approved. If approved, next task will be to secure funding for the books. Suggestion was made to propose cost be covered by the Operational endowment earnings.
- Census Data/Reconnecting: E&S unanimously approved the summary plan and it will be presented tonight to the PLC for their approval.

#### Evangelization

- “Calling Card” is on hold until the current functionality issues of the new website have been fixed.

#### Stewardship

- OSMG – Bret reported that the parish continues to seek return of pledge forms. A mailing is scheduled to go out to approximately 100 households (that pledged last year) reminding them to turn-in their pledge forms.
- Mortgage: Total is under \$250,000. A mid-year mailing is scheduled for January encouraging the acceleration of pledges to reach June goal of paying-off the mortgage.
- E&S is interested in continuing to improve the OSMG pledge process. We will reach out to Finance to determine their feedback and interest in evaluating the 2018 pledge results and recommend improvements. Currently E&S is seeking a volunteer to lead this review. Suggested pledge-form improvements include less detail, and non-gloss finish for paper be used.
- Endowments: Bret reported that the Finance commission is deliberating on four new endowments and the Legacy proposal for creation of a Parish Development Committee. The four new endowments would include: Parish Outreach, School Operations, Worship, Youth Development.

#### New Business

- Stewardship Coffee event: February 5, 2019, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Church of St. Mark, St. Paul.

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- Safe Environment: Linda suggested our entire commission follow-up and ensure we meet safe environment certification. Linda agreed to submit all E&S member names to see who is certified or needs to complete additional compliance requirements.

### **Committee Reports**

- New Member Welcome Committee: Seeking new members. Kelsey Rose requested to be connected with this group in order to explore serving on the New Member Welcome team.

### **Tabled Projects**

- How to have all Commissions review the USCCB “Stewardship A Disciple’s Response A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship was discussed.

**Staff Report** (Bret Sutton) – forwarded report prior to meeting and incorporated in comments above.

**Closing Prayer** Connor McGinnis led the closing prayer.

**Ministries:** New Parishioner Welcome, ALPHA, Funeral Hospitality,  
Living in the Divine Will Prayer Group

**Committees:** Nominating, By-Laws, Hospitality after Mass

**Future Meeting Dates:** 2/12; 3/12; 4/9; 5/14; 6/11