

St. John The Baptist Parish Groups & Activities Commission

Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/16/2021

Attendees: Steve, Maria, Tom, Tessa, Rita, Joseph

Absent:

Guest: Jim Glaser

(Commission is five members short)

Opening Prayer

Group Updates

- **Welcome to new member Tessa Brandt**

- **All Saints Party review – party was a success**

- **Review – Goals and Workbook**
 - **Goal 1A:** Create a comprehensive definition of what a “Ministry” is
 - Commission decided to make this goal the focus of our December 14 meeting and thus not discuss it at length in the November meeting
 - Briefly discussed how we will start to come up with definition/s
 - **Goal 1:** Recruit new members (5 members short)
 - Diony is no longer participating as his term was up
 - Members sign on for 3 years and can add on 3 more years. Is it true that after 6 total years, they can no longer participate in the commission?
 - **Goal 2:** Review contact list
 - **Goal 3:** Assign liaisons to open contact list groups
 - Commission has assigned a liaison to each group, and everyone will be reaching out to their groups
 - **Goal 4:** Invite parish group member or NET Team member to a PGA Meeting
 - **Goal 5:** Help with hospitality sometime
 - Commission is set to help with hospitality the weekend of December 4/5 and we assigned our members to each of the Mass times
 - **SMART Goals:**
 - Steve to update the SMART Goals

- **New Business/Discussion**
 - Gardening Group Concern – parishioner reached out with concerns about the garden on the north end of the east parking lot being more or less taken over by

the preschool. There are amongst other toys, sandboxes and kid pools. Parishioner was concerned that much time and money was spent to make the garden beautiful and now it's being used as a sort of playground. They also expressed concern about the spending budget of the Garden Group. They would like to see a budget put forward, as some gardeners spend a lot more than others, which can cause some gardeners to be hesitant to spend too much.

- **Open Items**
 - New members still needed

Next Meeting

- Focus Goal 1A – Defining what a 'Ministry' is
- Recruiting efforts

Closing Prayer