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Minutes of the St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Thursday 12th July 2018 at 7.30pm in Parish Office, Johnsonville

Present: Fr Peter, Fr Doug, Eustie Kamath (Chair), Eric De Souza, Shirley O'Brien and Deborah Lim (Secretary).

Apologies: Graham Cooper, Oliver Hartwich

Opening prayer was led by Fr Peter.

Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of 10th May was moved and seconded. Motion carried. Minutes are now to be loaded onto Parish website.

General Correspondence

- Email from Sr Clare O'Connor (Cenacle Sisters) to Shirley re: Retreat in Daily Life. Available dates are 10-15 March 2019. Fr Peter recommends we include a date saver in the newsletter this week and book the Sisters ASAP. Shirley will make booking once Parish calendar is checked.
- Also tabled and to be circulated via email: (1) Notes from Parish Pastoral Council Chairs Meeting on 22nd March 2018, (2) Sample of 'Gifts & Talents' Survey Form, (3) Guidelines for Parish Pastoral Councils Updated October 2016 and (4) Leadership Links April 2018.
- A Gifts & Talents Survey will be initiated in our Parish sometime in the coming weeks.

PPC Going Forward

Fr Peter advised that he had written to all the Synod participants to determine their interest in joining the PPC. No one has given their commitment.

It may not be essential to have 3 representatives from each Church community. All were in agreement that we need to have representation from the Youth in our Parish. Most importantly, any PPC member must have a global Parish perspective.

To provide an opportunity for Parishioners to express their interest in joining the PPC, a newsletter notice will be published for the next 2 weekends. Names will be collected by the Parish Office for about 3 weeks and will be looked at during the next PPC meeting.

Election of PPC Chair

Motion moved by Eric, and seconded by Shirley, to re-elect Eustie as Chair.

Application of Synod 17 in the Parish

Cardinal John has recommended Parishes work on 4 of the 13 Synod topics this year, the 4 being:

- Go, you are sent...to the peripheries of society
- Go, you are sent...to develop a spirituality of service
- Go, you are sent...to find leaders
- Go, you are sent...to build community.

It was decided that each topic will be delegated to Parishioners, who will then provide progress reports back to the PPC. A newsletter notice will be included this weekend asking people who are interested to put their names forward.

Newlands Update

A group of 5 comprising Fr Peter, Fr Doug, Bill Cooney, Noel Miranda and Eustie Kamath has been formed to liaise with the St Andrew's committee. Bill and Noel met with Marushka Caldeiro and Anna Mika-Hunt recently regarding the fundraising proposal. There is ongoing dialogue and a further update will be provided at next PPC meeting.

Health & Safety Management

Johnsonville – No update due to Graham's absence.

Khandallah – Fr Doug to request Tony stays on as H&S Representative.

Newlands – Are Clayton and Anna still the H&S Representatives?

Meeting concluded at approximately 9pm with closing prayer.

Next meeting: Thursday 16th August, 7.30pm in Parish Office, Johnsonville.