

**Our Lady of Mercy Parish Council
Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2007**

Present: Fr. Hugh, Dave Groeber, Lou Kearney, John Plummer, Terry Sheen, Tony Martini, Mary Konkol, Len Eichkoff, John Bremner, Haleigh Oleksiak, Phyllis Anderson, John Martin, Larry Harris

Absent:

Invited Guests: Lori Bremner

Prayer and Reflection: Tony Martini

Minutes of last meeting: (Sept. 10, 2007), approved.

Announcements:

- We would like to welcome Len Eichkoff to the Parish Council, Jude Zwick has resigned as the Service Commission Rep. We would also like to welcome back Phyllis Anderson after a brief leave from the council.
- Ministry Fair Review by Tony Martini – The Ministry Fair was very successful and feedback was provided for next year's event. A special thank you to Tony for his efforts in spearheading this year's fair.
- Volunteer Recognition Dinner (VRN) Update by John Plummer – The VRN Dinner dance is being postponed until further notice. The PC had an open discussion as to how we should restructure the event and shared input as to what we have learned in the course of preparing for the evening. This exercise has been very beneficial in making OLM a better parish.
- Terry Sheen working with the city inspector to open the kitchen and gain the needed approvals.

Commission Reports:

Administration Commission (AC): (No report)

Faith Formation Commission (FFC): (No report)

Service Commission (SC): Len Eichkoff will be taking over this commission and should have more to report at the next meeting.

Worship Commission (WC): (No report)

Action Items:

Committee Reports:

Youth Ministry Report: Haleigh Oleksiak reported that the Abortion display has brought about some troubling comments at WVHS.

Building Committee Report: Terry Sheen reported that we are making progress and are still committed to getting the building fully operational.

General Announcements:

- Mercy Fest (Oct. 18-21st) looks to be on target and should be very successful. Many of the events will be held in the PLC. This will cut costs and make us less weather dependant for future years.
- Religious Education is going well and the transition to the PLC has been very smooth. Although this is a learning year, the RE department should be commended on a job well done.

Closing Prayer: Father Hugh concluded the meeting with prayer.

Next PC meeting: Monday, November 12, 2007 @7:00 p.m. in the PLC.

Respectfully submitted by John Plummer

Minutes Approved: _____ Signature: _____