

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pastoral Council
Council Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2006

Parish Residence, 7 pm

Approved: July 13, 2006

- I. CALL TO ORDER 7:07 pm – Helen Knaggs;
- II. ROLL CALL – Olga Salas
MEMBERS PRESENT: Helen Soto Knaggs, Deacon Mario Renteria, Art Cardenas, Sylvia Castro, Pam Corn, Leo De La Garza, Olga Salas, Minerva Skeith, Benny Sustaita, Al Barrette, Salvador Hernandez, and Raul Garcia ABSENT EXCUSED: Fr. J. C. Cain, Teo Tijerina
- III. OPENING PRAYER– Deacon Mario Renteria; Parish Mission Statement- Olga Salas
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETINGS OF MAY 11 - 1st Pam, Art 2nd AND MAY 23 – 1st Minerva, 2nd Salvador
- V. SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY
Briana Mohan, Albert and Rosie Banda, and Lupe Cobos of the Parish Social Justice Ministry presented information and activities of the group and its relationship with Austin Interfaith. Group was joined by Minerva in presenting information to the council.
- VI. FINANCE REPORT
 1. Pam Corn presented the financial report. (Handout).
 2. Olga Salas moved that the Finance Council be asked to devise a policy for revising the budget to reflect a 5% tithe. Mario Renteria seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- VII. PARISH REPORTS
 1. Maggie Rincon, Director of the Social Ministries presented a report (handout) on the Sunday Kitchen Ministry and its purpose in providing financial support to the Social Ministries of the Parish. A discussion was held on a typical Sunday Kitchen budget, income and expenses and general operations as they relate to the support of social ministries. The general consensus from the report is that operations are not meeting their intended support.
Helen asked for new budget ideas and for sampling what other churches are doing in this area. Helen also asked that Minerva work with Maggie to put together data and a benchmark for kitchen operations.
 2. Marti Salas presented a report (handout) stating policies for Baptism, First Communion, RCIC, Confirmation, Jr. High Religious Education, and High School Education. The report also includes updates on Liturgy and Youth Ministry as well as Confirmation and First Communion summaries and requirements. Attachments to the report include a Baptism Registration Check List, and copies of an interview with Bishop Aymond and a flier for a scheduled Corpus Christi Procession from OLG to St Mary's Cathedral.
 3. Sylvia Castro informed the council on various ongoing projects. She is working on leasing options for the upstairs portion of the business office. She also reported on unresolved permits and inspections throughout the campus. Thirty-two new tables for the education building have been ordered.
- VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 1. Jamaica Committee – Sal reported on the impressive First Prize for the Jamaica Raffle, a 2006 Chevy Pickup. Raffle tickets will begin to be distributed on June 25 after each mass. Each registered parishioner will receive 20 tickets to sell. Sal agreed to serve another term on the council. Al Barrette's answer is still pending.
 2. Golf Tournament – Benny reported that \$7,100 has been collected as of today. He complimented the many volunteers who helped during the tournament. Benny also reported on the Lumen Gentium honors and that his Mother, Janie Sustaita is the honoree for our parish. A discussion was held on the possibility of doing something honorary in conjunction with the Stewardship
 3. Committee. Immigration Policy – Leo reported progress on an upcoming Parish statement on immigration policy.
 4. Centennial Committee – Art will begin pulpit talks and reported on the status of the steering committee. Helen passed out a draft form of a Timeline of Centennial Activities. Art reminded everyone of the Father's Day Bake Sale.
- IX. TIME OF REFLECTION
Helen presented complimentary and encouraging words for the council on our upcoming tasks.
- X. ADJOURNMENT 9:45 PM 1st Leo De La Garza, 2nd Salvador Hernandez

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY RAUL GARCIA