

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PASTORAL COUNCIL OF ST. DENIS PARISH**

14 September 2010

A meeting of the Pastoral Council of St. Denis Parish was held at 7:00 p.m. on Sept 14, 2010 in the Our Lady of the Wayside center. Present were Fr. Jose Shaji, Mary Chan, Silvia Vonderlinden, Mike DiMartino, Roy Sardina, and Michel Baylocq. Parish Staff (Sister de Chantal and Rosemary Lyon) were present by invitation. Father Jose called the meeting to order at 7 pm and led the opening prayer.

1. Approval of Minutes.

The minutes from the 17 August, 2010 meeting were approved.

2. Review.

The Parish Council welcomed Mike DiMartino as our newest member.

Monsignor Rodriguez will settle in at OLOW by the beginning of November. His residence is almost ready, it only needs a few furnishings. Fr. Jose and Msr. Rodriguez plan to exchange masses between St. Denis and OLOW once a week.

The St. Denis Mass and BBQ of Aug 28 was discussed. About 200 people attended the event. The layout of the altar and the lawn seating worked very well, though next year we will put some blankets and pads at the front for kids. The additional seating of the patio was a good idea. The meal was complimented by everyone, and kudos to everyone who helped with food preparation, setup, grilling, and clean-up.

The Our Lady of the Wayside Mass and BBQ was held on Sept 12. We were lucky to have very nice weather, and the 160 attendees enjoyed the BBQ. Thanks again to everyone who helped with the BBQ and event setup.

3. New Business.

The Parish Council still needs one more member. Fr. Jose discussed his thoughts on the selection of a new member with the council.

Rosemary reported that everything is ready for the start of Religious Education. She would like to have two more teachers. She is also ready for the kickoff of the Youth Ministry BBQ, for high school students, on Oct 3, 6:30 pm at Nativity Church.

The council discussed the donuts and drinks that are served after the 9:30 Sunday mass. We need to encourage more participation from new parishioners, to help share the work, and to review the budget.

The final item of discussion was the parish photo directory. The last one was done in 2006. Several members felt it was time to make a new one, especially given the new families which have arrived in the last few years.

4. Executive Session. Father Jose then asked if there were any Executive Session topics that needed to be discussed. There were none.

There being no further business to come before the St. Denis Catholic Parish Council, the meeting was adjourned until the next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 2010, at 7 pm, at the St Denis Parish Center.