



ASPIRE
A St. Agnes Parish Renovation Investment Effort

St. Agnes Congregation/ASPIRE

Meeting Minutes of the ASPIRE Church Planning Team

March 22, 2007

Present: Jim Anderson, Bill Zimpel, Tom Miller, Ken Blaney,
Ellen Mommaerts, Fran Junio, Dennis Horbinski, Rev. Richard Getchel

Excused: Mike Calawerts, Mina Teske, Deacon Bob Nooker, Mary Wackwitz,
Jerry VandeLoo, Bob Warpinski

Next meeting: Thursday March 29, 2007
5:00pm – 7:00pm, Parish Meeting Room
ASPIRE Church Planning Team

I. Announcements

No announcement made at this meeting.

II. Discussion

The meeting was opened with a prayer.

III. Roundtable

Meeting minutes:

Jim Anderson opened the meeting. The primary purpose of this meeting was to discuss the communication aspects of the ASPIRE project.

The meeting was opened up to all members present to share their thoughts, concerns and feedback from parishioners. There was consensus that we are on the right track, but that we are now at a point where frequent and over communications are necessary.

The committee agreed that increased communications will help us uncover other needs and ideas that we have not thought of to date.

Father Getchel commented that one consideration that may need to be looked at is modifying the mass schedule. In today's mass schedule, there is a need to clear out church a little more quickly due to the fact that the next mass is already being queued up.

The committee continued its discussion on communications and has recommended the following be implemented:



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1. Design a postcard that will be sent to all parishioners, inviting them to the April 19, 2007 at-large parish meeting. Postcards should be mailed out by April 4, 2007.
2. Attach postcards to bulletins each of the two weeks prior to the April 19, 2007 at-large parish meeting.
3. Website to have a new link established that contains all documentation to date, including meeting minutes, presentations, vision statement and conceptual design documents.
4. Establish a weekly bulletin insert section, with some information about ASPIRE.
5. Establish weekly announcements from pulpit regarding ASPIRE.
6. Develop signs and large posters to be hung on the entrance doors of church and within church. Establish easels and location within church for ongoing viewing.
7. Establish an emailing program to send out frequent updates on ASPIRE.

The committee then discussed the upcoming ASPIRE all parishioner meeting scheduled for Thursday April 19, 2007 from 7pm to 8:30pm in the church. The agenda for 'ASPIRE: Building The Vision' includes:

1. Special prayer by Father Getchel
2. Background presentation by Jim Anderson
3. Milestone of accomplishments to date – Jim Anderson
4. Break
5. Programming and design review (building block approach) – Dennis Horbinski
6. 'Advancing The Mission' (details to be determined) – Bentley Foster
7. Open forum and questions and answer period – All
8. Closing prayer – Deacon Bob Nooker

We will need to discuss logistics for this meeting, including audio visual, meeting minutes, capturing comments and questions and capturing attendance.

Scheduling:

Next meeting is Thursday March 29, 2007 from 5pm to 7pm in the parish meeting room.

IV. Next Steps/Action Items

1. Conceptual design and programming
2. Establish action plans for communications
3. Prepare agenda and presentation materials