

**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH**  
**Evansville, Indiana**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**July 15, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Good Shepherd Parish Council was held on Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with a prayer.

**ROLL CALL:**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
Father Zach Etienne	Jessica Fehrenbacher	Rita DeWeese	Eric Henderson
Deacon Dan DeCastr		Don Patton	Shari Hirsch
Sarah Gahagen		Maren Smith	

ABSENT: Chad Groves and Chad Schnarr

Felt good to get a little normalcy back last night by meeting face-to-face. It was a smaller group but we covered a lot of ground. Some homework assignments were passed out to the council:

- 1) The Brute Award is coming back this year. Our council has the option to make up to six nominations (individuals or couples). Fr. Zach will be emailing the criteria for the award. Bring names to the August meeting of anyone you deem worthy of a nomination.
- 2) Everyone should be aware that Chris Maynard opted to not seek a second term. The council needs to identify some potential replacements for Chris. Some areas of representation potentially missing from the council were discussed last night including religious education and young adults. Give thought to these two or any other segment and bring any potential names to the August meeting for discussion.
- 3) Active parishioner status was a topic of conversation. The group had an open discussion on requiring all school (GSS, MHS) families to complete the questionnaire/essay we recently reviewed for Fr. Zach. A counter proposal was suggested to require families to register for volunteer activities at the beginning of the year. Sarah feels the parish office has the capacity to log this information in PDS. The council has previously kicked this idea around. We need 3-4 volunteers to form a subcommittee to develop a formal recommendation that can be instituted starting next school year. The subcommittee's proposal will be presented to the parish council for discussion and final approval. Who among us wants to volunteer to take on this unique challenge? I will throw my hat into the ring.
- 4) Fr. Zach nominated me to replace Chris as president of the parish council. Not sure if that needs to be voted on by those absent last night

The meeting ended with a prayer.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The next meeting is Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Eric Henderson