

Good Shepherd Parish
Communications Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2008

Before the meeting started, Paula Moses said that LPI had agreed to a rebate of \$6,500 instead of the preliminary rebate of \$5,000. She also indicated that the seven parishes could probably absorb the loss of the other \$6,500 (\$13,000 - \$6,500). There was some brief discussion about other options, but those present decided to continue to develop 12 page bulletin.

Steve opened the meeting with a prayer. The Committee met with the bulletin editors at 5:30 PM at the Biddeford Catholic Center followed by its regularly scheduled meeting. The following bulletin editors were present: Nancy McClintock, Louise Beaulieu, Pat Beaudoin and Gerry Maheu. Edith Forst was excused. The following committee members were present: Rachel Daigle, David Flood, Jim Duclos and Steve St. Cyr. Chris McKenney, Charles Thompson, and Tom Laverriere were excused.

Each of the bulletin editors present their bulletin and an edited version that fit into one bulletin page. The bulletin editors did not seem to have a problem providing the bulletin information that was specific to their church on one bulletin page. A lot of the bulletin info that was not specific to their church was cluster wide info and would be reflected on the cluster page. The bulletin editors agreed to email Nancy their edited version. Nancy agreed to put a draft of the combined bulletin together and email it to the editors and members. We also agreed to do this one or two more times before we get to the target date for the combined bulletin of 2/9&10.

Following the meeting with the bulletin editors, Jim reported that goodshepherdmaine.org is available. He also talked about the structure and content of the website and solicited ideas from the members. Jim agreed to send us an email requesting the members to provide the name of the webmaster for each parish. He indicated that he would also provide the members with the web site addresses for each of the parishes for us to review. In addition, we talked about meeting with the parish webmasters before our committee meeting on March 5.

We talked briefly about the present signs around the churches and how to identify on the signs that each church is part of Good Shepherd Parish. We also talked about bulletin boards and other signs that may be in the churches. Steve also indicated that he had emailed the pastors requesting permission to provide instruction on how the announcers should welcome parishioners at the masses and on how to answer the phones at the church offices.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 13 at 6:30 PM at the Biddeford Catholic Center.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm. Minutes submitted by Steve St. Cyr.

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