



Father Heisel



Father Marvin



Father Meng



Father Downs



Bishop McCafferty, Msgr. Cocuzzi and Bishop Hogan start the meeting off.

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(Above) Fathers Meng and Gaynor listen as (above right) Father Mulligan makes a point. Seated with him are Fathers Hedges and Schwartz. (Below) a vote is taken by Fathers Schwartz, Mulligan, McDonnell, Wood and Murphy.



Father Brennan (center) adds



Father Gaynor (left), Msgr. Schw...

THE PRIESTS' COUNCIL

Each month 18 elected priests meet with Bishop Joseph L. Hogan, with Rochester's two auxiliary bishops and with the diocesan chancellor to exchange thoughts on problems facing the Church and the Rochester diocese.

Known collectively as the Priests' Council, the members are elected by their fellow priests. Groups of priests elect members for age blocs, regions and orders. The Council's function is to reflect the clergy's opinions and needs to the bishop and to serve as a consultant agency on diocesan problems.

After coffee at a recent meeting at St. Bernard's Seminary the forum discussed professionalism in the ministry, assignments, rectory living and personnel problems.

Differences of opinion among the priests were solved by Msgr. George Cocuzzi, Bishop Auxiliary Bishops John McCafferty and...

Pictured at the Council meeting are 18 Fathers Joseph McDonnell, Raymond Heister, Robert Meng, Joseph Brennan, Robert Mulligan, James Schwartz, Robert Down, John Hedges, John Morgan, Kevin M... Marvin. Ex officio members shown include Moynihan, diocesan chancellor.

Council members not present at the meeting were taken are Auxiliary Bishop Dennis Richard Burns, Father Cyril Gwise, OCD SJ, Anthony Valente, Daniel Tormey, and...