

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION NOTES-APPROVED
Tuesday, December 4, 2007

Attending: Sr. Pat Clement, Marilyn Govek, Tina Meyer, Terry Pasterski, Nancy Cornwell (minutes)

Absent: Lisa Cochran, Pat Erdmann, Joe Jacques, Ken Krautkramer, Peggy Lee,

I. Opening Prayer: Pat

II. Approval of Agenda

a. Under V. New Business:

- Add: Elementary Prayer Time Update
- Add: Parish Directories

Nancy made motion to approve the agenda. Terry 2nd the motion. All approved.

III. Approval of Minutes:

a. Change page 3: Goal #3: Quad-arish to Quad-Parish.

Tina made motion to approve with changes. Marilyn 2nd the motion. All approved.

IV. Committee Reports:

a. Adult Ministry: Sr. Pat

- No questions on minutes.
- Sr. Pat gave update on two possible hands-on adult formation sessions in spring:
 - Clay-Pottery Class. 1 to 2 sessions. 1.5 hours per session.
 - Mandela Class. Colored Pencils are used to create patterns.
- Sr. Pat said Fr. Dave and Sr. Mary Jo will work together on the February Mission called 'Woman at the Well'. This mission will look at all people involved in this biblical story.
- Because of the success of the 'Young at Heart' Valentines Party last year, another gathering is planned for 2/14/08. All quad parish parishioners that have lost a spouse in 2007 will receive a special invitation to join this gathering. Music/Games/Food will be provided.
- Monday Evening Prayer (12/5) had a small group. There were notices posted on parish doors, however the service was not listed in the bulletin. Next prayer service is 12/17. It will be in the bulletin.

b. RE: Tina Meyer

• **Middle School/High School**

- No questions on notes.
- Under 'Confirmation' Tina said we have 48 confirmation candidates.
- Under 'Curriculum' Tina explained new text books are being looked at for 7, 8, 9, 10th graders. Sr. Pat asked if Tina looked at the upcoming 'Faith Alive' programs before making an investment in new materials. Tina said she will look into.

- Under 'Protecting God's Children' Tina said that parents will have the opportunity to attend St. Joseph's or Nativity's presentations. Or, parents can 'opt-out' of the presentations, however they will be asked to cover the material with their children at home.
- **Youth Ministry: Becky Kittell**
 - Notes were reviewed. No questions.
- **Elementary: Maxine Geiger**
 - Notes not available.
- c. **Parish Council**
 - **St. Jude's: Terry Pasterski**
 - Terry said the St. Jude's 50th Celebration is a year long event (2007-2008). 1/26/08 they will host a Chili Supper. Pictures taken for the celebrations will be on display and available for purchase.
 - Terry said that all four parish councils met at St. Joseph's to tour the Youth Center. However, the 3rd floor was locked and could not be looked at. The councils definitely wanted to see the 3rd floor so they could see what was there, what the needs are and what considerations need to be taken. The councils will schedule another time to see the 3rd floor.
 - Joe Jacques brought the 3-Year Faith Formation Plan. Terry said the 3-year plan was well received by the councils.
 - **Annunciation: Joe Jacques...not available.**
 - **St. Joseph's: Marilyn Govek...no update.**
 - **St. Patrick's: Lisa Cochrane...not available.**

V. OLD BUSINESS

a. Review Goals for 2007-2008

1. Make sure Vacation Bible School will take place (Becky).
2. Create portable library for Quad-Parish use (Sr. Pat)
3. Create Quad-Parish Welcome Booklet (Sr. Pat)
4. Present Liturgical Catechesis (Maxine)
5. Redo Junior and High School Curriculum (Tina)

The Faith Formation Commission agreed on goals listed.

b. Review names/and organization leaders that fall under Faith Formation Commission:

- Sr. Pat and Terry reviewed the current list and updated as needed.

c. Look at draft of materials completed for the 'Welcome Booklet'.

- Sr. Pat passed about the booklet draft with Quad Parish information and parish overviews. FFC was good with the information and format.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a. Elementary Prayer Time Update

- Tina met with Maxine regarding concerns expressed at last FFC meeting. They both agreed the prayer services should continue however there were changes that could be made.
- Tina suggested the CCD program run 1 hour and 15 minutes next year. That way prayer services could be held without taking away from the curriculum and catechist delivery time.
- Sr. Pat did note the K-5 prayer session was a big span developmentally.
- The FFC members had suggestions on smaller groups, alternate grades in prayer services and pull all grades together for special events.
- Tina said there is a January In-Service and this topic will be brought up so that all involved can voice their opinions.

b. Parish Directories

Sr. Pat would like help from each of the four parishes to pull together a new - ONE Directory for the Quad-Parish.

- St. Jude's: Terry volunteered
- St. Pat's: Nancy volunteered
- St. Joe's: open
- Annunciation: open

Next Meeting: January 8, 2008

Prayer Leader: Lisa