

Faith Formation Commission Notes
Annunciation, St Joseph, St Jude, St Patrick
3/13/07
6:15 – 7:00 p.m.
St. Jude Klauck Room

Attendance: Sr. Pat Clement, Nancy Cornwell, Pat Erdmann, , Ken Krautkramer, Peggy Lee, Terry Pasterski, Darlene Ward

Absent: Lisa Cochrane, Joe Jacques, Julianne Donlon, Maxine Geiger

- I. Opening Prayer: Sr. Pat. (Joe Jacques absent)
- II. Approval of Agenda: Approved by Nancy, 2nd by Terry
- III. Approval of Minutes: Approved by Terry, 2nd by Sr. Pat
- IV. Committee Reports
 - **Adult Ministry: Sr. Pat**
 - No questions on minutes.
 - Sr. Pat read comments from Lenten Mission:
 - Powerful presentation
 - Lots of thank-yous
 - Suggested morning mass & conference be held at same location
 - Consider having more missions
 - Consider video taping
 - Consider additional announcements and notices
 - Consider babysitting service
 - Consider having Fr. Kratz for another missions

Action Item: Sr. Pat will ask Fr. Kratz if he would consider doing another mission.

- Sr. Pat said the Valentines Party for the young at heart was very successful.
 - 50 people attended
 - Wonderful Day. Fast paced: Prayer, bingo, prizes, trivia, Notre Dame Jazz Band (wonderful music selections), lunch, Paul Rawnick.
 - Next year she will consider:
 - Putting invitations in back of church and bulletin
 - Mailing invitations to parishioners that had a funeral in the four parishes.
 - Inviting previous grief groups
- Sr. Pat reported last grief session was very beneficial for everyone that attended.
- Sr. Pat asked FFC to consider activities for the end of April or early May. Sr. questioned participation and whether weekends would be too busy with First Communion, Confirmation, and outdoor activities increasing for families.

- Sr Pat suggested end of April or early May might be a good time for a simple coffee and discussion evening. Julianne had once suggested a tea.

Action Item: Sr. Pat to check with Julianne on coffee and discussion on 5/2 or 5/10.

b. Youth Ministry: Julianne Donlon

- No questions or concerns with report

c. RE

i. Middle School/High School: Julianne Donlon

- No questions or concerns with report

ii. Elementary: Maxine Geiger

- No questions or concerns with report

d. Parish Council Reports

i. Annunciation: Joe Jacques/absent

ii. St. Joseph: Darlene Ward

- Going to be working on sound system
- Going to offer financial support to Youth Center
- Looking at quad parish mass schedule. Parish council working with Transition Team

iii. St. Jude: Terry Pasterski

- Terry brought to council the fact that the kitchen area needs additional cleaning. Terry noticed issues during the Valentine's Party for the Young at Heart.
- Terry also suggested maybe RE could consider Spring Clean Up Day
- Parish Council also approved financial support to Youth Center.
- Council looking at hiring person (30 hrs/week) to handle social concerns issues and programs
- Council suggesting adding a deacon to quad parish
- Youth Center Wish List was created, suggested to send out list in bulletin, need to send again. Also giving to RE students to give to parents for possible help.

V. OLD BUSINESS

• Twenty Minutes Brain Storming—Adult Faith Formation possibilities

- FFC needs to consider additional Adult Faith Formation Activities ranging for long to short programs. Mini series to one-time programs.
- FFC should consider family activities:
 - Timber Rattler Baseball Game
 - Bus Tour: Milwaukee Domes, IMAX, Zoo
- FFC should consider using RE programs for some faith formation programs:

- St Patrick's 4th, 5th and 6th grader's 'Station of the Cross' presentation.
 - St Bernard's Advent Stations.
- FFC members should consider taking a specific program to host each year. Sr. Pat and many others will be resources. If each member would host a program (be the general contract), they would be able to aid in program design, attendance, enhancements for the next year.
- **Continue work on the Three-Year-Faith Formation plan**
 - Should consider big picture of activities ranging 3 years; Incorporate current programs and add to programs to make them more powerful and effective thru previous experiences.
- **Marketing Suggestions for Faith Formation Activities**
 - Compass
 - TV Stations (Community Events)
 - Public Media Sources
 - Crosswinds
 - Church Bulletin
 - Radio Stations
 - Quad Parish Online Calendar of Events

Action Item: Pat Erdmann and Darlene Ward will look into applications and costs

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- **Julianne invited the Faith Formation Committee members to observe religious education classes on Wednesday, March 28, 2007.**
- **Question: Does RE and Faith Formation Programs consider attendees and students that cannot afford the cost of programs offered?**
 - Sr. Pat said typically expenses are picked up one way or another if someone cannot afford the cost.
 - It is important for an attendee to discuss expenses with the host so that arrangements can be made. If the host knows about the needs, they can work around the expenses.
 - Also, Julianne does have a bond program that students can attend and pay off costs in many different ways.
 - Members of the FFC said this committee would also help offset costs for people that cannot afford the programs.

VII. Closing Prayer: Sr. Pat

Next Meeting: April 3, 2007

