

Faith Formation Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 7, 2006

Present: Mary Beth Diethelm, Matt Jessop, Erin Campbell, Joe Kalenberg, Barry Kinneberg,

Absent: Chris Nelson, Jennifer Loutzenhiser, Peg Christensen

Opening Prayer at 7:00 pm

The October 2006 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Adult Education:

- Ideas were discussed as to possible faith formation ideas. Some thoughts were: classes for special needs children/youth; book club bible study; socialization via card club or other option

Live Nativity:

- Will leave the announcement run its course and if no one steps forward to chair the event, it will be dropped for this year and future years

Celebration Committee Mtg:

- This centered on discussion of celebration ideas, a ministry fair and there was a brainstorming session led by Jay Steele for core values

Strategic Planning Meeting:

- Mary Beth attended a strategic meeting as chair of the FF Board; it was to work on core values of the parish. These will be compiled and then reviewed by the strategic planning board; the board is made up of members from the various boards. We will meet monthly and come up with core values and St. Joseph's mission statement. Fr. Larry is working on his vision statement.
- The FF board is to provide the parish council with our FF goals/objectives for 2006-2007 year and categorize them into hospitality, stewardship, education or spirituality.

Budget:

- Erin and Matt will get this from Bonnie and bring to next meeting to review where we stand

January Mtg Date:

- The January meeting will be on the second Tuesday and not on Jan 2 as originally scheduled.

Matt & Erin's Monthly Update:

- FF calendar completed for the year
- Working on youth mass. Will be every 3rd Sunday at 6 p.m. thru next summer. At that time will be re-evaluated to see if it will continue
- Needed to supply dollar amount needed to support FF to the finance council - \$750/month submitted figure. This would go towards supporting chaperones for retreats, outside events, etc.
- Looking at summer festival for Jr./Sr. high and getting a youth section added to the St. Joseph web site
- FF classes in general going well. Confirmation classes going well. Five classes participating in MN Nice program
- Nov 15 Angela B talking to 10th graders on abortion and related issues. Also, 10th graders had retreat with Shine Ministry that went well
- Dec 10 overview meeting: 6 Standards with 5 subheadings in each standard. Will give overview of what our end goal is for each class designated by the Archdiocese
- A survey was given to 7th – 10th graders. This asked what they would be interested in or not interesting in if offered. Good survey
- Any necessary fund raising will be event/item specific

Next meeting is December 5, 2006

Submitted by Mary Beth Diethelm