

Community Life Meeting Minutes - October

Time: 7:00pm

Date: Monday, October 25, 2010

Place: Notre Dame Meeting Rm

* Opening Prayer

* Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Members present: Cathy Sullivan, Rhonda Dillon, Richard Burke, Rod Beckman, Jean Philippi, Jennifer Przybilla and Terri Reineccius.

* Absent: Beth Herman and Cindy McDonald

* Special Guests: Gary Fox and Mike Bauman, At Large Council Member

* Agenda Items:

~ New Membership Mentor Program: Gary Fox provided the CLC a brief history of how this program came to be. The Fox's, the Schranks would host the New Member Orientation Meeting which included a history of the parish, an outline of the various ministries and programs within the parish. Kelly Kriefall would be given a list of the new members and those who signed up to be new member mentors would contact the new members. The two parts of this Orientation/Mentorship program eventually worked as two separate parts. Gary said that in recent months, they have been seeing a very diverse demographic of new members.

Rod asked Gary about the "static" feedback he mentioned that new members had given to the mentors. Rod wondered if it was recent or if it was early in the programs inception. Gary said it was more in the past. Council Member, Mike Bauman asked Gary if he knew the what the percentage of those joining were doing so due to a "need" versus a desire. Gary shared that it was likely 25%. Gary said they have a need for an additional couple to help with the various Orientations throughout the year. The Vaillencourts are possibly joining them in November. Many members of the CLC felt it important to find out from Kelly Kriefall what if any follow up was occurring with the new members. Richard had reached out to Kelly but they had not been able to connect prior to the 10/25 Meeting. It was requested that a process or manual be written for future reference on how the Fox's or Schranks conduct the Orientation. Terri and Jean voiced a concern that the two parts should work in tandem with someone to oversee the program as a whole. The CLC will continue to discuss at the November Meeting.

~ Electronic Email Messages: Terri and Jean to schedule a meeting with Mike Lentz to seek permission and feasibility to merge the church, school and faith formation databases.

~ Calendar System on Website: Cathy explained that with the purchase of the new software scheduled meetings or events will be listed on the parish website.

~ Front sign rules and policies: It was determined to table this until the November meeting.

~ Parish Alcohol Usage policy: This item was tabled until the November meeting. Cathy will have some additional information/policies from other parishes as guidelines.

~ State Fair Diner Update: Rhonda said that we are expecting the money due back from the State Fair by the beginning of November. She said that some hard choices will need to be made because expenses are increasing exponentially.

~ Rod asked which of the Community Life Ministries would be in need of the most help from us. Both Cathy and Richard said the Small Business Network. Cathy said she will have an updated ministry list by the next meeting so that we can contact the ministries to find out what assistance they may want.

~ Community Life Commission Calendar:

Nov. 23, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22, April 26 and May 23.

We are now confirmed for the Notre Dame Meeting Room for 7 - 9 pm each date.

~ Family Promise and Family Table: Richard said that the Parish Council felt it very important for the CL Commission members to be volunteer and be a part of these two ministries.

* Closing Prayer

