

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI FAITH FORMATION COUNCIL MINUTES

May 16, 2019

Council Members in Attendance: Maureen Berger, Jason Collins, David Dickson, Linda Gust, Steve Hedding, Molly Myers, Mary Wieser, Alison Zirbel

Also Present: Fr Ray McHenry, Faye Akers, Christen Cota, Deb Barry, Rick Schraeger

Council Members Absent: None

I. Call to Order at 6:34 by Jason Collins

II. Opening Prayer was the updated Parish Mission Prayer

III. Open Forum – Chris Aldinger, Director of Operations – met prior to meeting

IV. Approval of Agenda – Linda moved to approve agenda, Steve seconded, motion passed

V. Approval of Prior Meetings' Minutes – Steve moved to approve, Linda seconded, motion passed

VI. Pastoral Reports

- A. Pastoral Report – ADA is at \$332K pledged towards a goal of \$366K. It took until October to reach this point last year. Security Review: Two professional consultants came to SFA. There will be a full report coming soon, but a summary of the report can be published. The review found 52 concerns. The report will include three categories broken out into immediate, short term and long term. The concerns range anywhere from communications to manuals to physical security of the campus.
- B. Pastoral Council Report – Pastoral Council intends to be the reminder to keep the security plan a priority.

VII. Staff Reports

- A. Christen, YFF/FFO: We were the first non-school entity to tap into the Statewide Reunification Plan resource. No change to curriculum for next year. Exploring the idea of Family Catechesis models. First Communion feedback was positive. VBS needs adult volunteers. The Wednesday night Catechist retention is good.
- B. Deb, HSFF: Confirmation retreat will be on Wednesday rather than Saturday and include rehearsal.
- C. Faye, AFF: no questions

VIII. New Business

- A. Subcommittee Reports –
 - a. Adult Faith Formation Advisory Team (Alison, Dave, Linda and Mary)
 - i. Parish Mission – Held our first Team Lead Meeting on May 13th. Promotions plan and youth events plans are well under way. Prayer is updated. We still need a Service Project (Enviroloo) team lead. Phone call with speaker Dan DeMatte scheduled for May 22nd. Next team meeting scheduled for August 5th.
 - ii. Alpha – Fr Ray, Mary and Alison to travel to Denver, CO for an invite-only Alpha Conference on May 29-30. The Fall Alpha Team will be meeting on June 27th. Alpha launches for the fall on August 29th with a team training on August 22nd. Registration opens on July 1st.
 - b. Retreats and Missions Committee (Steve and Molly) no report
 - c. Fellowship and Service Committee (Jason and Maureen) no report

- B. Formation of Youth and High School Advisory Team – Linda made a motion to create a subcommittee with at least one member from the Faith Formation Council along with other parishioners served by or serving youth and high school programming. Mary seconded. Motion passed.
- C. Acts 29 – explanation of this is similar to the security review except it's a discipleship and evangelization review. Twelve parishes will be chosen by Father Riccardo and his team. They will spend a few weeks at each parish to gather information and give a report. If we apply, there is no guarantee our parish will be chosen. Father Ray and Faye will call Father Riccardo.

IX. Old Business

- A. FFC Planning Calendar: Self Evaluation of Council – **Council will complete evaluation and speak about it at next meeting. Faye requests intentional part of agenda be faith formation of it's members. Alison proposes that the Council read the Divine Renovation book. Faith Formation Office will purchase the books. We will start in August. Put the faith formation as a Council on the agenda following the opening prayer.**
- B. FFC Planning Calendar: Nomination of Officers for 2019-2020 – Steve Hedding as Chairperson, Mary Wieser as Vice Chairperson, Linda Gust or new Council member as Secretary.
- C. FFC Planning Calendar: Calendar for 2019-2020: **The FFC proposes that all Councils discuss moving Council night to Tuesday or moving the associate pastor to a different day off, so that one of the pastors can be at each Council meeting.**
- D. FFC Planning Calendar: Compile Feedback from FF events: no discussion
- E. Discernment of New Members to FFC: Send nominations for 9th member to Father Ray, so that he can appoint someone.

X. Concluding Comments

XI. Closing Prayer

XII. UPCOMING DATES: **Next Meeting – June 20, 2019**

XII. Adjournment at 8:34 pm

Minutes submitted by Alison Zirbel