

Faith Formation Commission Minutes

June 11, 2019

Attendance:

FFC Chair	Sarah Mansell	Present
FFC Vice Chair	Darcie Tallman	Absent
FFC Meeting Minutes	Elin Herrman	Present
FFC Member	Melissa Bowker	Present
FFC Member	Paul Fell	Present
FFC Member (vacating seat)	Irmi Miller	Absent
FFC Member (new)	Rindi Bernhard	Present
FFC Member (new)	Kathy Wipf	Present
Pastor	Fr. Jim Secora	Present
Deacon	Deacon Nick Radloff Deacon Mark Bortle	Present
Director of Faith Formation	Katie Patrizio	Present
Coordinator of Middle School Youth Ministry	Zekiel Mientkiewicz	Present
Coordinator of Elementary Faith Formation	Taylor Hawkins	Present
Director of Youth Ministry	Kayla Greiner	Absent
School Board representative	Neal Molitor	Present

Opening

- Sarah opened with prayer.
- Introductions

May Minutes – the commission approved the May meeting minutes.

Staff Reports

Katie/Taylor: See staff report

Zeke: See staff report.

Visioning & Catechetical Faith Formation Planning

Reports

Report from School Board, Neal Molitor

- Implementing Archdiocesan recommended organization for Strategic Planning-next four years
- Hired a new pre-school teacher
- Reading Core Tudor through Americorps
- Approved Plan for Emergency Operating Fund

Report from Faith Formation, Katie Patrizio

- Katie noted that Gala Committee would like FFC to have a presence at their committee meetings, for input/direction re: fundraising needs; she will send out a reminder email to FFC members calling for volunteers.
- Katie requested the help of FFC members to serve as “greeters” the first week of RE classes to help minimize confusion during drop off and pick up times.
- Katie & Taylor and Zeke introduced the new curriculum change for middle school & elementary Faith Formation Programs outlined in staff reports. Main reasons: More relevant and meaningful for youth, more holistic, personalized & comprehensive, directed toward creativity, easier to use, improved catechist Resources that accompany the books, simplified texts, pre-written catechist emails, youtube video resources, good ice-breaking activities.
- FFC Consensus on moving forward with new curriculum.
- Note: Fr. Secora was concerned that day-school programming not to too different from newly proposed curriculum. Katie agreed to talk with RE day school leaders.

Pastoral Council Update: Sarah Mansell

- New Roof to be installed on Rectory this summer
- Consideration for a temporary columbarium
- Facilities subcommittee to work on worship space improvement, HVAC, Lighting & Seating.
- Lois Lemkuhl will offer orientation for all new FFC, School Board and PC members in July.
- Office space consolidation
- Security work starting in school, card program installation beginning 3rd week of June

Elections:

2019-2020 FFC Officers elected: Chair: Sarah Mansell, Vice Chair: Paul Fell, Secretary: Melissa Bowker

FFC agreed to ask 2019 next highest vote receiver, Britta Heidenriech to serve Irmi Millers next two years. Sarah will contact.

- Closing Prayer
- Next meeting Tuesday, August 13th, 7 p.m. in the St. Louis Room.
- Adjourned 8:08 p.m.
- Respectfully submitted by Elin Herrman