

Saint Cecilia Stewardship Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 2, 2017

St. Louis Room 7:00 p.m. – 8:18 p.m.

Present: Mary Staniger (Chairperson), Bill Haas, Jim Stuart, Emil Polashek, Francine White

Excused: Reno Berg, Char VanKerckVoorde, Jarret Wendt

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer Reflection/Discussion
Chapters 31-36 “A Church on the Move”
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a good example of hands-on learning.
Jesus taught the adults and played with the children.

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Focus on action is key to success
The Social Justice Committee’s leader for each action is a good model
Cooperative ventures between committees and organizations are great
Mailbox cards at breakfast would be a good idea

For November meeting, Chapters 37-42 “A Church on the Move”
3. Minutes from September meeting were approved.
4. Old Business
 - a) **Called and Gifted** – Francine said the program is moving steadily
 - b) **Real Life Catholic Reboot 2018 outreach team update** – Katie Patrizio is assembling a team for the Chris Stefanick promotion organization. She might consider holding an informational meeting dinner. This is an opportunity for Stewardship committee to recruit at least two people. “This is what collaboration looks like...” Include an invitation for someone who is not on the committee. The outreach team is a 1 year commitment, culminating with the September 12, 2018 talk.
Mary will follow up on identifying the task list for the promotion organization.
Take this opportunity to your groups and spread the word. Five or six leaders are organizers, and are nearly identified.

- c) Agree on a procedure for a group decision making process that will result in an **Annual Stewardship Plan 2017-2018**.

Francine described the “Plan, Vision, Roles” approach implemented by the Faith Formation committee. It is important to describe how a proposal fits into the big picture. For the Faith Formation committee, the question was, “do we talk, or do we do?” there answer was, in between. Having a plan and a vision helped get and keep focus.

They broke down vague roles and responsibilities into clear tasks.

If we, Stewardship committee, form a plan, we can present ourselves more successfully.

Our highlevel charter exists: “Encourage Stewardship As a Way of Life”. We need to meet to establish a structure so we can concentrate on the actions, and the right actions: 5-7 goals, 3-5 objects, and actions

The committee set Saturday, November 11, 9-noon as a date to workshop the plan.

- d) **LPI assessment update** – The fee structure lists “up to 1500 families”. We have >1600 families. We need to get an accurate fee structure before further discussion.
 - e) **2017 Stewardship Report** questions and concerns – The report came out without input from the Stewardship committee. Committee members are to study the report and send questions and concerns about it to Mary before our November meeting.
5. Other Business and comments
Ric Nelson at the September pastoral council meeting asked Mary about persons to serve on an ad hoc committee to explore a position to coordinate a parish communication strategy utilizing all media. Bill Haas will serve. Francine might serve.
 6. Closing prayer.