

ACTS BOARD MEETING

February 2, 2010

Present: Sandy Nolan, Mark Kasberg, Kathie Brown, Maria Lisowski, Deb Augustus, Charlene Steinman, Mary Brockett, Vincent Lew, Frank Coenraad (arrived late)

Excused: George Watt and John Boddy - at MACTS meeting

1. The meeting opened with prayer.
2. **Minutes** from November were mentioned.
3. **Introductions and welcome** to our new board member, Charlene Steinman!
4. **Explanation of email** regarding core team within a team - Sandy was referring to a previous team in her email and not our current teams. It was a suggestion to keep the team members informed of budget and other business that affects the team as a whole. Some teams have a pre-meeting with directors and spiritual director and they come up with the Agenda for the team meeting and that is fine.
5. **Meeting dates:** due to the teams now meeting on Tuesdays (MACTS), Wednesdays (TACTS) and Thursdays (WACTS) Sandy asked if our board members would consider moving the meetings for the next three months. It was decided to move our ACTS Board meeting to the first Monday of each month and begin at 6:45 p.m. The upcoming meeting dates are March 1, April 5 and May 3.
6. **Fees were increased** to \$150.00. There have been no complaints about the additional \$25.00 fee as far as we know.
7. **WACTS** - the second week in June has opened up. The Board members decided to stick with the original dates posted on the website for 2010 and 2011, and move to the 2nd week in June beginning 2012.
8. **Reports**
 - a. **Vests** - moving slowly. Sandy has a woman's XL pink vest in her office that seems to be running small. If anyone is interested they should contact her.
 - b. **Cookbook** - we should encourage the men and women gathering monthly to bring a recipe to their meetings. We can also encourage those attending the February 13 Gumbo Gala to bring recipes of the desserts they've donated. So far Maria has about 12 recipes on hand. We agreed we need to market the cookbooks better, so there will be information in a newsletter coming out soon. Recipes that have been taken from a cookbook should give credit to the cookbook when submitted, just so we don't have copyright violations.
 - c. **Family Night** - only Sandy and Maria were present, so they put up a sign that the evening was cancelled and went home. Mary had to leave town to be with her mother. We would like to try this again but have a team of people planning it. Each person could take on a different responsibility - one could do set up/clean up, one could provide coffee and snacks, one could be responsible for games and activities for the kids. We will need better advertising, which could involve a newsletter or postcard announcements.

- d. **Work parties** - Sandy said four people volunteered. We need more volunteers before we can advertise their services to the parish so we will have an article in the next newsletter. Let's try again for the spring.
- e. **Advent** - evening prayer went well even if there was a low turnout. Those that participated enjoyed it and would like to continue with offering evening prayer during Lent.
- f. We will advertise **Stations of the Cross** during Lent, along with evening prayer.
- g. **Other - newsletter** - it was decided that we need a regular quarterly newsletter! We can advertise upcoming events, include a calendar with each activity listed, get the word out about fundraisers, plus use the format for catechesis. Charlene has volunteered to put together a newsletter - the following board members will submit the following articles to her by **next week**:
 - o Men's and Women's monthly gatherings - Sandy
 - o Reconnecting with prayer partners - Kathie Brown
 - o Directors and teams for 2010 - Sandy
 - o Cookbook and recipe requests - Maria
 - o M.O.M.S. - Marilyn
 - o Evening Prayer and Stations of the Cross - Marilyn
 - o Vests - Sandy, and use John as the contact name and number
 - o Board meeting dates - Sandy
 - o Adoration - Norma Watt (Marilyn will invite Norma to write a brief article)

9. Other - **Stations of the Cross - Friday, March 5 at 6:00 p.m.**

The Board will host the Stations of the Cross this evening. We will have Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:00 p.m., followed by a soup and bread supper in the Valley Senior Center. The Prayer Group has the Senior Center at 7:30 so we need to clean up and leave by 7:15 p.m.

Fish soup (Maria), Minestrone soup (Marilyn), Lentil soup (Charlene), bread (Kathie, Mark), Juice and coffee (Frank)

If you would like to help select the version of Stations of the Cross we use you should contact Sandy, or let her know if you would like to be a reader, cross or candle holder during the Stations.

Evening Prayer sign up - Mondays - Fridays during Lent at 5:30 p.m.

Marilyn will print out the booklets and have them available in the day chapel. Leaders are:

Mondays - _____

Tuesdays - _____

Wednesdays - Marilyn Monagle

Thursdays - _____

Fridays - Mary Brockett

We need additional volunteers - if you can lead a night please contact Marilyn. I will be out of town from March 21 - 29 so I'll need someone to sub for March 22 and possibly March 29.

Teen ACTS Directors - Chad Mountcastle, Ray Thibodeau, Cailey Neary and Bishop Burns will be the spiritual director.

Our next meeting is Monday, March 1 at 6:45 p.m. We closed with prayer.