

# St. Odilia Council Meeting Minutes

Council: *Faith Formation Council*

October 21, 2008

**Time:**

6:45 – 8:15pm

| <b>Meeting Participants:</b> | Present |                 | Present |                                    | Present |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|
| Sr. Penny Dunn               | Yes     | Katie Sentz     | Yes     |                                    |         |
| Patti Chervenak              | Yes     | Mary Jo Stewart | Yes     |                                    |         |
| Kathy Johnson                | Yes     |                 |         |                                    |         |
| Kathy Langer                 | Yes     |                 |         | Lynn Schriver-Sheedy – PLC Visitor |         |
| Andrea Pollari               | Yes     |                 |         |                                    |         |
| Laura Rodriguez              | Yes     |                 |         |                                    |         |
| Craig Rousar                 | Yes     |                 |         |                                    |         |

## AGENDA/ITEMS

## OWNER

- I. Prayer** **Sr. Penny**
- II. Review September minutes** **Craig / Sr. Penny**
  - a. Craig talked with Tom Schumacher re: service projects and what council they should fall under, or if there should be a separate committee. Tom suggested that we put something together to take to the PLC. Sr. Penny asked that each council member bring an idea / suggestion to next month's meeting as to what a service council would look like.
- III. Feedback on Father Rask's bible study** **Sr. Penny**
  - a. Wonderful response, large crowd, going well. Council members pointed out that it has been very thought provoking.
  - b. In January, Father Rask will be doing a 4-week bible study on the Gospel of Mark.
- IV. Discuss Youth Ministry / Confirmation combined position** **Sr. Penny**
  - a. The combined position is hard to evaluate at this point as Maria has not been here long enough.
  - b. Need to prioritize and cut back offerings in Youth Ministry, too many things.
  - c. Discussed the Dream Team – their purpose and goals. This is not a council, and ideas must come through our council before implemented.
  - d. There seems to be some fuzziness with communication re: some programs, specifically Edge. Life Teen needs to be promoted more? Attendance is down this year.
  - e. Confirmation is running smoothly under Maria's direction.
- V. Long range planning for Faith Formation** **Sr. Penny**
  - a. May be a need for more programs for older kids – post confirmation, as it seems we are losing kids at that age. Maybe older kids can be invited back to help with middle grade kids and / or there can be bible studies directed towards them.
  - b. Next year the school may be integrating more in the Family Faith program so there's not such a disconnect between school kids and parish kids – creating one community.

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- c. We are making the Family Faith materials available to the school parents, charging a \$75 fee.
- d. There was a lively discussion around long range visions and planning. Ongoing discussion will continue for all areas of Faith Formation.

**VI. Endowment fund / kiosk**

**Sr. Penny**

- a. Mari Meyer and Sr. Penny will draw up the request and the need for two kiosks.

**VII. Additional notes**

- a. There are concerns re: the 6:00 mass on Sundays running long and interfering with the confirmation start time. Andrea will talk with Mary Meyer about this.
- b. Family Faith program is proving to be successful, the number of participants has been good so far.

**NEXT MEETING: November 18, 2008**

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Rodriguez  
10-29-08