

CYMA Minutes
April 15, 2010
St. Bernadette, Appleton

Present: Celia McKee, Bill Nettekoven, Peter Gagnon, Pat Coonen, Cindy Kyles-Werth, Andy Krueger, Amanda Vatland, Carolyn Coutu

- I. Opening Prayer- Peter Gagnon
- II. Treasurer's Report- \$6064.03 in the treasury.
- III. Fun in the Sun updates
 - a. The Gathering. Discussion around whether to rent 3 vans vs. bus for cost effectiveness. It was decided to reserve a bus and the vans and decide as we get closer to the time.
 - b. Reminder that chaperone expenses are paid by CYMA on the ratio of 1 adult to 10 youth. If your parish brings more chaperones, the parish is responsible for paying for the additional chaperones.
 - c. Discussed the issue around no-shows for trips and late cancellations. It was decided to amend the Constitution to state that all registrations and moneys must be turned into the Event Coordinator by the deadline date to reserve spots for the event. No refunds will be given by CYMA-FV. See Constitution for exact amendment wording.
 - d. Peter Gagnon will be the event coordinator for all the events unless otherwise noted.
- IV. "Best practices" –Discussion around lesson plans, special evenings, rewards, prevention of behavior issues,... How to handle lack of respect...Many awesome ideas were shared~
 - a. Cell phone basket for each class. Students put cell phones in the basket at the beginning of class
 - b. Catechist takes cell phones if used, and parent must come in and get it.
 - c. Begin each class with a prayerful moment where students can share the best and worst of each day and something they want to pray for. Set the tone for the class.
 - d. Recommended to visit the Catechist Journey or Catholic Mountain
- V. Retreat team- Carolyn discussed creating a 5/6 grade retreat team to plan and lead retreats for parochial and public schools. Also discussed having a list of youth ministers who are available to be small group leaders at other's retreats. If you are interested in finding out more or want to sign up, contact Carolyn.
- VI. Jason Evert update. The date has been tentatively set for November 10th with a time of 6:30-8:00 PM. Elisa is still working on securing two more venues for Jason Evert. (Needs to have 3 venues to commit). Peter to follow up to see if West will be available for that night. Decided to charge \$3 per youth.
- VII. YAB – new recruits for next year! All parishes are welcome to join! We will have a kick off meeting in August or September. Will send out reminder to all youth ministers.

- VIII. Jobs of the Board – unanimously decided to add webmaster to a list of officers with Bill maintaining the position until further notice.
- IX. Elections (President and Secretary). Bill Nettekoven is the new president and Andy Krueger is the new secretary. Carolyn Coutu remains vice president as does Peter Gagnon as treasurer.
- X. Next meeting will be highway clean up~ we will be meeting at Veterans Park in Freedom at 10:30 AM (note time change). After highway cleanup, we will go out for lunch.

Minutes respectively submitted by Carolyn Coutu. April 16, 2010