

PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE

February 27, 2014

Linda opened the meeting with prayer of the Holy Spirit said by all.

Members present: Linda Siefert, Margie Walke, Marilyn Freyer, Maureen Harpring, Don Freyer, and Tom Geis. Those not present were Rheadawn Young and Mary Beth Freyer.

Linda asked if there were any corrections from the minutes of January 14, 2014 meeting. Response was no. Sunny motioned to approve the minutes and Don second it.

Ministry Updates

Hospitality: The question was raised as to what was the true purpose of this committee and who is coordinator. A response was that Dee Dee Kasiser had covered this position and no one has been assigned to this committee. Hospitality took care of donuts after church, certain events such as the celebrations for Deacon Ron and Archbishop Tobin. Tom brought up the question, "what exactly does hospitality means?" The idea was to possibly combine the three committees of Hospitality, Welcoming and Bereavement into one entity under the title of Hospitality.

Parish Sports: Don reported that he attended a CYO basketball game .Game was opened by prayer by Roger Dietz. Attendance was around 150 people with three games going on that day. Don reported he was impressed by the quality of play.

Youth Ministry: Mary Beth no report. We do know they will be selling turtle soup and subs on March 16, 2014.

Hispanics: Sunny reported they say the rosary on Wednesday nights at St. Louis.

Welcoming: Rheadawn no report.

Respect Life: Don reported three bills are advancing in the Indiana General Assembly this year. House Bill 1123, Senate Bills 292 and 228 that are to clarify laws affecting Indiana abortion industry that are supported by the Indiana Catholic Conference.

Food Pantry: Chairperson needed. Linda is going to find out more information overall.

Bereavement Committee: No report.

Families Helping Families: Maureen will be taking over this position. She reported they will be making changes (REVAMP). The committee met and discussed this service. This is offered to reduced or free meals families, they choose twenty-five percent in Batesville Schools systems. They all work together with other places and surrounding churches. Several options were talked about such as, just children, limits gifts, change money amounts, deliveries and get an earlier start on the program next year.

Old Business: International Cuisine for March 2, 2014 was canceled. Spring Tea date set for April 26, 2014 was changed due to conflicts. Our new proposed date is Sunday May 4, 2014 from 2 to 4. The name may be changed just to a Mother/Daughter social. A theme idea was maybe to bring a picture of moms and daughters for an activity. If anyone has a great idea to add to this event please contact Linda. Social will be held at old gym if available. Limiting the amount of food served. Need of chairperson for this event. A decision about the pre festival needs to be decided.

New Business: Updating the church website on Parish Life Committee with pictures. We also need to recruit more new members.

Linda will notify us of the next meeting date.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Freyer