

Fox Valley Catholic Youth Ministers

Opening Picnic - Minutes

August 29, 2019

1. Welcome, Meal Prayer, Introductions
 - a. Eat and Mingle
2. Faith Factor Recap
 - a. Laurie shared the financial recap of Faith Factor. Sarah made a motion to approve moving funds to cover donation to SVDP. Gina seconded motion.
 - b. An open discussion took place on Faith Factor. Feedback included:
 - i. FF is a great stepping stone for students to go on other mission trips. Lots of students who are returners, you can tell they love it.
 - ii. Discussion on cost and if it may be cost prohibitive. Current cost is \$50 per child and \$35 for any additional.
 - iii. We also discussed t-shirts and the possibility of upgrading to a higher quality/athletic type shirt.
 - c. Brainstormed ideas for next year:
 - i. Having different agencies come in each day and talk about the agency. Use this as the prompt for donation and present Monday night when parents are at mass. Use Thrivent grants to help offset some costs.
 - d. Agreed to table discussion of costs, t-shirts, and theme until the next meeting.
3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Laurie reviewed and distributed financial report.
 - b. In the past we have made a donation on behalf of FVCYMA. Laurie will look at what we've given to in the past and how much. Will discuss at next meeting.
4. Events
 - a. Core Team Training - For High School youth (>18) to help train them in helping with small groups. September 8 at St. Bernard from 12:30 - 2:30. RSVP to Emily.
 - b. High School Evangelization Night - Emily reviewed decision to not hold HS Evangelization night this year.
 - c. Youth Jam - Youth Jam is also not happening this year due to lack of committee to plan.

- d. Ice Cream Sundays:
 - i. Tina will check with Ziggy at SMC to schedule an ice cream sundae day. Emily will contact Kelly to schedule one at Xavier. Agreed that homecoming week would be difficult as many are kicking-off that week. Suggestion was also made that we introduce ourselves at the mass.
- e. Shrine crawl - lots of youth,
 - i. Reviewed Shine Crawl experience. The number of adults has out-numbered youth. Discussed possibly not doing the crawl on the assumption, so we can allow students a deeper experience of the Shrine.
 - ii. Will discuss at next meeting.

5. Next Steps

a. Roles & Officers

- i. Andy has agreed to take on the role of Sunshine Club. Stamps and cards can be reimbursed.
- ii. Gina will take on the role of secretary.

b. Next meeting dates

- i. September 19 @ 10:30 - Sarah E. will host at Holy Spirit in Kimberly.

6. Sarah D. led us in a closing prayer