

**The Catholic Area Faith Community of  
Jesus Our Living Water**  
All Committee Meeting - Word Committee Meeting  
October 2, 2012  
7:00-8:30 PM at St. Patrick

**I. Welcome:**

At the prayer service

**II. Opening Prayer:**

The opening prayer was from Vatican II – Prayer to the Holy Spirit, Bishop Untener’s reflection and our AFC Vision Statement.

**III. Housekeeping:**

At the prayer service

Present: Eileen Wallace, Ron Skjong, Diane Pyka, Joe Groschens, Randy Suter, Erin Wendt and Diane Cronen.

Absent: Marv Lucas

Also present at our meeting were: Fr. Jerry, Deacon Ken Stalboerger, Mary Nordstrom, Fr. Brian and Fr. Steve.

**IV. Review of Minutes and Agenda:**

The Minutes were approved as written.

Added to the Agenda was to discuss the members for 2012-2013. The Minutes and Agenda were approved by Randy Suter and second by Erin Wendt.

Eileen Wallace reviewed the guidelines established last year.

**V. Discussion Items:**

1. Election of Officers: Chairman – Randy Suter, Vice Chairman – Joe Groschens and Diane Cronen (staff member) will continue as the scribe.
  - A. Discussed the replacement of Eileen Wallace. Eileen will stay on as representative for OLOL (as her schedule permits) until a replacement is found.
  - B. Marv Lucas will attend when he is able.
  - C. St. Thomas More needs a representative – no one has accepted the invitation to be on this committee. We will continue to look for these representatives.
  - D. Suggestions of possible committee members should be forwarded to Fr. Steve.
2. AFC Mission – scheduled for March 2013. First week – English, Second week – Spanish
3. RCIA – total of 13 (English – Spanish) – Rite of Welcome – Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>
4. Area Catechists Gathering – January 2, 2013 at OLOL.
5. AFC Youth Ministry schedule/overview – we will invite Christine Pinto to give presentation on Comprehensive Youth Ministry.

6. **Small Christian Communities – Year of Faith**
  - A. Sub-committee will be established with two members from each committee and parishioners at large to make recommendations to the AFC Word on this item. Our committee will in turn present it to the APC. The members on this sub-committee need to be objective and open minded. The sub-committee will establish a timeline and guidelines for the Small Christian Communities.
  - B. Fr. Jerry and Fr. Steve have identified resources that will be used in the groups.
7. **Adult Education – Speaker**
  - A. Year of Faith and with an emphasis on Vatican II. Ron Skjong has made contact with someone from St. John’s and is waiting for a reply.
  - B. Serve a light meal
  - C. The suggested time is 4:00pm on a Sunday afternoon. This would allow people to watch football and for those wanting to be home earlier in the evening.
  - D. Suggested dates are Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup> and December 9<sup>th</sup>. The committee was reminded by Fr. Brian that December 9<sup>th</sup> was the Hispanic community’s celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe with Bishop LeVoir. So we will present December 2<sup>nd</sup> or a date the end of November for final approval.
  - E. Further details and other items of importance for this event will be discussed at our next meeting.
8. **Evangelization – wondering if there was any answer from the APC.** Fr. Steve and the APC have asked our committee to change our information into actions, goals and objectives. The new recommendations would then be reviewed. Fr. Steve suggested our goals and objectives consists of 2 verbs – 2 nouns – and a why.
  - A. Our committee asked what the diocese has done in regards to evangelization – their focus is on Area Missions and the Fr. Barron’s Series.
9. **Area Word Committee goals and objectives – we need to review and update these with a definite date of accomplishment and not use the word on going.** We will each review these items and discuss and update at our next meeting.

**VI. Future Agenda Items:**

1. Adult Education Advent Speaker event – finalize
2. Evangelization – establish goal, objectives and action
3. Review our committee Goals and Objectives
4. Vision Statement
5. Discussion on Comprehensive Youth Ministry led by Christine Pinto

**IX. Next Meeting:**

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas More.

**X. Closing Prayer**

By Eileen Wallace

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diane Cronen, recorder on 10-4-12.