

CCM Director's Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 1, 2007
12:00 noon
LC 246

Attendees: Fr. Martin O. Moran, Mike Rakszawski, Emily Haley, Lauren Fohl, James DePaoli, Bryan Bzdek

Opening Comments:

(Father Marty) started the meeting by leading prayer. He then addressed how CCM strives to develop future leaders. Ministry Team members must receive training in their positions. (Father Marty) thanked the directors for what they do for CCM. He encouraged the use of event forms.

Youth Core:

The Youth core will meet tonight, Thursday, March 1 at 8:00 p.m. at the Berelson Center. About three representatives from CCM plan to attend. A community service day for this group is being planned for April 21, which is also Community Day at Bucknell.

Committee Reports:

Spiritual Life & Evangelization – (Bryan)

- The committee has been planning Soul Smorgasbord.
- A meditation event is being planned for right after Spring Break.
- The Spring Retreat planning has stopped and the retreat will not take place this semester. The committee will start planning now for next year.
- Stations of the Cross are held on Fridays during Lent. **(Emily Haley)** will lead stations this Friday.
- (Mary Sima) has been officially discerned to the Ministry Team. She will most likely be placed on the Spiritual Life & Evangelization committee in the position of Catholic Traditions Coordinator. **(Bryan)** will prepare a welcome message to Mary for the bulletin.

Administration – (Mike)

- The second Meet Your Ministry Team brochure will go to print this week.
- The BSG budget is due next Thursday.
- Spring Cleaning will occur during House Party Weekend. **(Robert Hallinan)** will lead the Spring Cleaning effort.
- (Mike) met with (Pat Selwood) concerning the St. Sebastian Society. It will most likely be placed under the Spiritual Life & Evangelization committee. **(All directors)** should send the names of CCM students involved in sports to (Father Marty).

Events & Outreach – (Emily)

- Tonight is the last dinner before Spring Break.
- April 15th is Admissions Day for students who will be coming to Bucknell.
- (Suzanne) and (Misa) met to talk about outreach to international students and first year students.
- (Father Marty) talked about ecology issues at dinners. Left-over meals are given to his cousin who uses the food to feed about 30 people in need. His cousin also does a thorough cleaning of Newman House once a month. Water is also carefully monitored at the house.

Community Service & Social Action – (James / Lauren)

- A Senior Citizens Prom is being planned for about 30 or 40 people at St. Cyril and Methodius Maria Joseph Manor on Friday, March 23 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (**Mike Rakszawski**), (**Mike Thiry**), and (**Emily Haley**) already volunteered to drive.
- (**Lauren**) and (**James**) plan to contact the Carmelite Monastery about community service. There are 18 sisters there that really need the help.
- A community service event at the Danville Monastery is being considered for the fall.

Strategic Planning:

(Father Marty) gave an update on CCM planning. A financial appeal went out to about 7000 people on the CCM database. A second parents' appeal also went out to about 70 families and has done well. (Father Marty) has also met with several Bucknell administrators and is still working on planning for an interfaith center as part of the Bucknell strategic plan.

Ecology at CCM:

(Bryan) believes environmental change can happen through religion.

By Spring Break:

- Purchase new recycling bins for paper.
- Have volunteers rinse recyclables and take them out to Bucknell bins.

By next semester:

- Create a compost pile with left-over food.
- Look into having CCM computers shut off when not in use.
- Look into purchasing corn starch cups.
- Purchase more organic food, possible from the farm market, open Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Long term goals:

- Automated thermostats at Newman House.
- Solar power.
- Replace worn out appliances.
- Recycle batteries and printer toner cartridges.

(Bryan) will design flyers and gather information for the CCM website about this new ecology effort.

Spring Calendar:

(All directors) should be sure that all of their planned events are listed on the CCM website. Event forms should be filled out and submitted to (Father Marty) and (Suzanne).

Graduation Planning:

There is a graduation planning meeting set up for Monday, March 26 at 9:00 p.m. **(Mike)** and **(Emily)** are planning to help with graduation.

Graduation award nominations are due on March 8. **(All directors)** should submit any names of seniors to (Father Marty) by dinner tonight or by the weekend.

Pro-Life Group:

(Justin) was thanked by (Father Marty) for his outstanding efforts. October is pro-life month.

New Bible Study:

A small C. S. Lewis book group has been meeting. (Father Marty) requested that **(Bryan)** will look into interest in a CCM Bible study and to prepare a bulletin announcement that requests the names of interested students. CCM has not had a Bible study for a few years.

Busy Persons Retreat Feedback:

(Father Marty) asked whether or not the CD for the Busy Persons Retreat was good. Many directors agreed that it was a good concept, but the CD was not directly related to the retreat topics. **(Bryan)** will gather input and feedback from other CCM students who participated.

Diversity Nominations:

(Father Marty) is looking for names of CCM students of any class year to be nominated for Diversity Awards. Diversity can mean building pathways with other groups. **(Emily)** and **(Mike)** will submit names to (Father Marty) by the weekend.

Christian Concert:

(Mike) received a letter from (Kaitlin Althen) of RCC regarding a Christian Concert during House Party Weekend. There were questions raised about the event and whether or not CCM should fund it. **(Mike)** will contact (Kaitlin Althen) to gather more information.

Next Ministry Team Meeting: Thursday, March 8, 12:00 noon, Meditation Chapel

Next Director's Meeting: Thursday, April 12, 12:00 noon, LC 246