

**Minutes
Communications Ministry**

April 8, 2009

These are the minutes of the Communications Ministry monthly meeting.

Attendees:

Iva Galesic
Steve Hill

Mabel Hoffmann
Mike Hoffmann

Ed Johnson
Marieann Shovlin

1. Opening Prayer and Intentions

The meeting was opened at 7:10pm by Ed, who was substituting for Mike. Mike was double booked with two commitments, and came later to the CommMin meeting. Ed led the opening prayer.

Iva Galesic, a guest from the Young Adult Ministry, was introduced. At the request of Fr. Chady, she had written and submitted two articles for the *Flyer*.

2. Approval of February minutes

Steve neglected to bring hard copies of the minutes, so approval will be postponed until the May meeting.

3. Newsletter

Steve distributed the draft story plan for the June newsletter. The Committee decided to postpone a profile of Janice until the fourth quarter edition, when the printing run is doubled. In its place he will insert Iva's story on the Young Adult's attendance at the Los Angeles Religious Education Congress held in Anaheim. The updated story plan will be posted to the Group site and emailed to assigned authors.

4. Parish Planning Project

- Fr. Greg has agreed to support the strategic planning project.
- Marieann presented the concept of developing a strategic parish plan to the Parish Council and received a favorable response. The Parish Council agreed to support and participate in the project.
- Marieann downloaded plans from other parishes she found in a Google search.
- The St. Simon strategic plan is completed and downloadable from their website.
- We are hoping to have a kickoff of the project at the ministry fair in late May.
- Marieann distributed a one-page overview of involvement planning. It has been shown to Fr. Greg.

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The next steps are as follows:

1. Develop a list of target ministries and councils to receive the pitch. (Marieann)

Examples of strategic ministries and councils include:

- Finance (Mike)
- Holy Name (Ed and Mike)
- Knights of Columbus
- Liturgy (Ed)
- Parish staff (including Mary Lyon)
- FilAm (Mabel)
- Social Justice (Mike)
- Small Christian Group
- Young Adults

2. Schedule meetings and assign presenters to present the project idea and obtain a pledge of support.
3. Create awareness at the Ministry Faire at the end of May.

5. Spring Ministry Faire

The Faire is scheduled for the weekend of May 30 and 31. The Stewardship Ministry has the lead role in organizing the event.

Marieann will likely have an organizing meeting. Such a meeting was skipped for last year's Faire and people complained. It was skipped due to weak attendance in prior years.

6. Elections at June meeting

Elections for officers for the next fiscal year will occur at the June meeting. Members should indicate their intentions to run for an office by the May meeting.

7. New business

- Brian Edem connected all but two ports in the Community Center to the Internet.
- There should be a page on the parish web site for the social justice groups.
- We should post people and family bios on the website, using past *Flyer* articles to seed it.
- For future meetings, we will rotate members who will lead a discussion on a self-chosen chapter of *The Word Made Fresh*.

10. Next general meeting

The next meeting will be held on May 14 at 7:00 pm in the Community Center.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Steve Hill,
Secretary