

Minutes for ACTS Core Team Meeting

July 11, 2011 at Santa Rosa Center

Opening Prayer

Led by Sandy Klevinskaskas

Review of Minutes

Andrew and Carmen motioned to approve the minutes as-is.

Open Floor to Non-Core

The following issues were brought up:

- ✦ **Adult Formation:** Lillian Elsey mentioned that Amateo Seno will be joining Bea Rulli and herself on the catechetical team for the Adult Formation. She is looking for one more man to join the team. She also stated that she wouldn't have a set location until August. Rosalinda brought up the idea of having a women's bible study every week.
- ✦ **Shirts:** Perla mentioned that there have been questions from people about how they can purchase ACTS shirts? They also asked if it would be possible to order t-shirts for other community events. Ron commented that shirts are available to people who are on team. As far as the t-shirts, he gave an estimate of about \$7 per t-shirt for one small logo on the left chest. He will give an official estimate at the next meeting. Rosalinda asked if it would be possible to get shirts fitted for the women.
- ✦ **Banner:** Deacon Ken said that there are banners available for purchase at Alemany High School that we could use to advertise on the football field. Ron mentioned that the it would help us get our foot in the door as far as opening up a dialog with Alemany. Deacon Ken added that it would create exposure for ACTS. For example, the people that go to the football games might be parishioners at one of the parishes and the fact that they see our name up there, might help us to remind them that we exist. Rosalinda brought up the idea that we should explore other options. Sal said we should get our name into the bulletins of surrounding parishes like St. Didacus and Our Lady of Lourdes. Perla asked if it would be possible to see what else is possible over the course of the next month and then make a final decision at the next meeting. Rosalinda offered to lead a sub-committee with the goal of promoting and marketing ACTS to our community. Ron said we should move on from this topic as there was much doubt in many of the members. It was voted that Rosalinda will lead a sub-committee to explore other outreach options.

Commissioning Mass Update

Ron explained that the Mass on Sunday was great and that it was "probably the best recruiting tool we have ever had." He stated that Deacon Ken's homily was one of the best he's ever had.

Status Reports

Feedback from each of the core team members.

- ✦ **Financial:** Sandy passed out financial reports to all the Core members with the total deposits, expenses, and the profits from the casino fundraiser. Deacon Ken mentioned that we need to make deposits for the upcoming retreats in 2012 and schedule those in 2013.
- ✦ **Support:** Tom said he hadn't been contacted by the newly formed women's team. Rosalinda explained that the team has been assigned their ministries and will be in touch with the Support Coordinators. She also stated that the women's meetings are going very well and that the spiritual direction given by Lillian is bringing a lot to the team.
- ✦ **Supplies:** Danny sent an updated inventory list to the women's retreat director Sara.
- ✦ **Spiritual:** Sal encouraged us to continue to pray and let the Holy Spirit lead us. He also stated that we need to keep going to Eucharistic Adoration at our local parishes as a group.
- ✦ **Communication:** Ricky presented two offers that he had received via email. The first was a book titled "On the Other Side of the River" is a replacement for the "Coming Down the Mountain," which has been found to contain teaching that are not in line with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Both Sal Barrios and Deacon Ken will take home a copy of the book to read it and provide feedback at the next meeting. Ricky will send out a copy of the objectional material to all the members of the Core. The other material he presented was an offer for a free copy of "The Word Among Us," a Catholic devotional magazine,

which is available to retreatants. Ron mentioned that we should not promote non-ACTS ministries or programs without first running them by the Core. He also stated that we should not promote other ministries during ACTS pulpit talks either.

- ✦ **Music:** Rosemary thanked Richard and his group for their service at the Commissioning Mass and explained that they will be available for the upcoming retreat. She expressed a concern she had with being able to find someone to run the projector at the return Mass for the women's retreat.

Men's Retreat Director

Sal led us in a prayer. There were two candidates for the directorship of the upcoming men's retreat.

- ✦ **Nick Mouzis:** A teacher at Mary Immaculate, served on three retreats, one as a co-director, has led ministries on retreat.
- ✦ **William Teal:** Served on three retreats, one as co-director, willing to serve.

Ron read the qualifications from the ACTS Core Charter, dismissed the non-Core attendees, and read a scriptural reading. The Core then discussed why they thought each man should be the director and cast their votes. Ron then read another scripture reading from the book of Acts and began the drawing. William Teal was chosen as the next director and he accepted the position and thanked the Core.

New Business

- ✦ **Carmen:** Explained that the co-directors should probably not be Core members.

Meeting Evaluation

Rosalinda said we accomplished a lot. Rosemary said we had lots of dynamics. Tom said the meeting went well. Ricky and Sal said we should remember that we are doing the Lord's work and that our opening prayer should really help us to get in the right mind set before we begin the meeting. Andrew said we should keep it simple and remember our purpose. Perla was afraid we'd go over at the beginning since we were getting side-tracked on issues that were not on the agenda. Deacon Ken said that we are to serve the retreat and the retreatants and that is what we need to remember and that we are not special people because we are the Core. Sandy stated it was a good meeting and that she doesn't mind a "burst of passion" because it solved the problem. Ron felt that as long as we don't hold on to the outbursts that happen, then we will continue to do our job as Core members. He also expressed that we can't get lost in the business side of things and that we must remain faithful to our purpose. Carmen mentioned that we need to be ourselves and not take it personal.

Next Meeting

The Core will be meeting August 1st and Deacon Ken will confirm if we will be meeting at the Santa Rosa Center. Perla will do the opening prayer and Danny will lead the closing prayer. Tom is going to bring snacks.

Closing Prayer

Led by Andrew Guerrero