

Formation Day Planning Committee Meeting

Monday, April 20, 2009

Bob Evans Restaurant, Frederick

In Attendance: April Dietrich, Cindy Kindl, Irene Wunderlich, Therese Ivanisin, Jim Schrader, Linda Lebo, Chris Weber, Judy Williams.

- Overview of Attendee Comments
- Technical issue with the LCD consoles in classrooms. A few presenters were unaware that the consoles operated on a timer and would need to be restarted when the timer ran out. It was suggested that next year the technical volunteers stop in each room and reset the timers. Maybe add a note about this in the faculty memo as well.
- This is the first year all sessions began on time!
- Discussion of future of Formation Day
 - Bad economy
 - New formation process
 - Could have positive impact, Formation Day could be an opportunity to launch the new program.
 - Chris Weber is on committee and will keep us all informed.
- Discussion of future Formation Day theme

Chris Weber pointed out that in the past the theme was often based on the theme for Catechetical Sunday, or the Institute. Tries to keep the theme timely. Therese suggested the theme of throwing a lifeline to busy and stressed families. How do we present the church as something that can HELP busy families and not be seen as one more obligation.
- Capstone Session

Was a success, though could have been deadly, given it was the end of the day, and lights were low, mood was quiet and prayerful. Success of session due in part to Bishop Rozanski. Committee feels that, with the right topics, we would do two general sessions again.
- Next meeting

Decided we need to wait to see next year's budget for the Center before we have our first meeting. Hope to meet end of summer.