

PSR Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, September 12, 2011

The September/October meeting of the Parish School of Religion was held on Monday, September 12, 2011. Present were Parish Administrator Father Osang Idagbo, PSR Coordinator Angela Atkinson, Board Members Denise Foerg, Loretta Hudson, Jennifer Kretchmer, and Lois Thompson.

After opening the meeting with prayer, the Coordinator provided statistics and information regarding the September 7th Opening Night procedures. After reviewing the information, the Board decided on some logistical changes to be incorporated into the plan for next year. Some modifications will be made to currently used forms, as well.

The Coordinator reported that Parent Workshops have been scheduled with Rick Barnhart from RCL Benziger. "So You Want to Raise Your Child Catholic" will be presented on October 26th, and "Eucharist and Reconciliation: A History and Theology" for parents of second grade students, is scheduled for January 18, 2012. The workshops are free of charge, but parents will be required to register for them in advance.

A registration update revealed that 31 students have not yet registered. This number represents 13 students who attended the first class, 10 who did not attend, 4 who will be home schooled, and 4 new students who have not turned in paper work. This number is expected to change within the next two weeks.

At a recent meeting with 8th grade catechists it was suggested that 8th grade students from both PSR and SPPCS obtain T-shirts identifying them all as members of the 2012 Confirmation Class from Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. Parents will be asked for a donation of \$7.00 for each student shirt. Shirts will be ordered soon so that students may wear them when participating in service projects.

The ACRE test will be administered this year. When officially evaluated, the results will be useful to catechists and to a committee which will be formed to research a new curriculum in 2012.

The Coordinator will e-mail catechists asking that they submit any requests for project supplies for their classes. An order will be sent in the near future to comply with the requests. The Second Grade Catechists have requested rosaries for their students.

Stipends will be distributed to catechists this year as they have been in the past. The first distribution will be in December, and the final distribution will be in May.

There being no further business, Father Osang closed the meeting with prayer. The next scheduled meeting will be Monday, November 14, 2011 at 6:30 in the Parish Pastoral Center.

Lois Thompson
Secretary