

Agenda 12 12 15
AOD Diaconate Community Board

Call to Order 8:00 am – Cardinal Dearden Porch

Morning Prayer – bring you Breviary, phone or tablet

Role Call

Approval of Minutes for August 29, 2015

Report from Office of Clergy and Consecrated Life - Kevin

Old Business:

- Diaconate community women day of reflection
 - Presenter – Therese Cirner
 - When/Where – Saturday March 19 10 am to 1 pm with lunch at noon – published on 12/3 Community Update
- Post Ordination Manual – updates?
- Community Board Google Group up and running
- Round Table Questions
- Fifty Year Anniversary of restoration of the Permanent Diaconate

New Business:

- Nomination for AOD Evangelization Synod Representatives

Northeast:
William Jamieson
Dennis Crimmins
Dominick Pastore

Northwest:
John Schulte
Steven Mitchell
Oscar Browne

Central:
Paul Mueller
Hubert Sanders
Paul Stevens

South:
Glenn Melenyk
Michael Hammond
Peter Cornell

- 2017 Diaconate Convocation – September 28 – October 1
- Retreats -
 - Couples February 12-14, 2-16
 - Men's and Women

Open Forum Discussion

Assignments

Meeting Adjournment

AOD Diaconate Community Board
Meeting Minutes December 12, 2015

Meeting called to order 8:00 am

Morning Prayer opened the meeting

Attendees: Bridget Loffreda, Dennis Loffreda, John Manera, Jim Thibodeau, Kevin Breen, Sheila Breen, Tim Maxwell, David Carignan, Liz Carignan, Sharon Melenyk, Glenn Melenyk

Minutes of the meeting October 17, 2017 - accepted

Report from Office of Clergy and Consecrated Life – Kevin Breen

- The Diaconate Community letter, which regularly is emailed to the community, will be mailed out monthly to those without emails.
- There are 8 or 9 applicants with 3 re-applicants for the diaconate aspirancy class of 2016 – due date was December 1st – the formation team will begin the evaluation process of the candidates late January/early February.
- There were six men in attendance at the last diaconate informational evening
- Pia Carli has been very busy with the immigration part of her job but has done her best to keep up with the diaconate responsibilities

Old Business

- The Women's Day of Reflection with Therese Cirner is scheduled for March 19, 2016, from 10 am to 1 pm with lunch scheduled at noon.
 - Location is at the Seminary with the room to be determined
 - There is no charge to attend but a free will offering collection will be taken
- Post-ordination manual
 - John Manera reported that the revisions to the post-ordination diaconate manual are over 95% complete but is still a work in progress
 - Suggestions for the manual made at our meeting include a section about diaconate responsibilities and expectations
 - Additional suggestions, comments and additions are to be submitted via email to John before Feb 1, 2016
 - John will email a PDF file to the board members for their review
- Web communications solution
 - The Google account for the Community Board is up and running
 - If you have not done so please sign up
- Round Table discussion questions planned for the convocation last September are still slated to go out to the community at large. The intent is to gather information about how *we serve in our ministry*. Target date is February 2016
- Fifty Years of restoration of Permanent Diaconate 2017

- Committee to be formed in the future (spring/summer) concerning possible celebration events
- Kevin to discuss with Msgr. Hogan the commitment / involvement of the diocese central office

New Business

- Evangelization Synod 2016
 - Nominees who have been recommended by the deacon community at large have been selected by the board through email ballot
 - Names presented to Archbishop as of today 10 of the 12 nominees have accepted
 - Nominees include

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Northeast: ● William Jamieson ● Dennis Crimmins ● Dominick Pastore 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Central: ● Paul Mueller ● Hubert Sanders ● Paul Stevens 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Northwest: ● John Schulte ● Steven Mitchell ● Oscar Browne 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● South: ● Glenn Melenyk ● Michael Hammond ● Peter Cornell
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 - John Schulte and Paul Steven not confirmed as of today
 - The diocese is planning some formation sessions particularly directed at the lay members
 - Bill Kolarik from the office of Parish Life is our main contact and is willing to meet with the community board to discuss the diaconate role and involvement
 - Suggestion made as that we get closer to the event that we field concerns and comments from our community at large
- Next Diaconate Convocation is September 28 through October 1, 2017
 - Looking for suggestions for speaker/presenters
 - Suggestion was made that the Thursday and Friday sessions be devoted to in-service training and educational needs related to our ministry
- Couple Retreat schedule for Feb 12-14, 2016 – Fr. Babcock is the retreat speaker
- Men's' retreat June 24-26, 2015 no speakers schedule yet – open for suggestions

Open forum

- From a suggestion at the Diaconate Memorial Mass – A deacon marker is in place at the deacon section of Holy Specular Cemetery
 - Marker was donated
 - Words are needed to be inscribed – suggestions welcome

Next meeting: Saturday February 6, 2016 at SHMS at 8 am

Closing Prayer – Kevin Breen

12/28/15