

COMMUNITY WORKING GROUP

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 29, 2019 MEETING

Present: Jim Strommer, Dan O'Donnell, Lissa Rommel, Alexis Salazar, Don Senior, John Schork

Absent: Mac Daniels; Ronan Newbold

1. The working group discussed briefly the impact of the pre-chapter discussions on our working group going forward. Some felt we should not turn too quickly to specific proposals but stick with the visioning process. Others suggested that perhaps we might give more consideration to:
a) Involving lay members more in decision-making; b) consider some new ways of residential involvement of lay members.
2. We discussed at some length how to move forward with the idea of utilizing video interviews to illustrate meaning of community. We concluded that it would be good to surface names of potential interviewees, drawn from diverse backgrounds (e.g., vowed, lay, young, old, cultural diversity, etc.), and a list of possible interview questions. Each of us agreed to submit a few names, some questions, and the rationale for our choices—DEADLINE before February 14. Send to our whole working group; subsequently we will edit down to our final choices.
3. We also discussed the survey we have in mind. Dan and Don had sent out sample questions earlier (although for some they might have been lost in cyberspace—they are attached, just in case). We also discussed the idea of combining our survey with other group's efforts. At this stage, we will go ahead with idea of our survey (one for vowed; one for lay) and, once completed, can consider whether to combine with others. Purpose: to get a sense of what experience of community current in our province and Passionist family; and to possibly surface some good interviewees. Lissa will confer with Dan and Don and come up with an edited list of questions for our consideration.
4. We reviewed material Anne Kemp had sent to groups regarding the work going forward.
5. We will attempt to find a time for our next meeting during the week of February 18. Goal: to draw up list of interviewees and questions; have draft of survey(s).

Don Senior