September 22, 2020

Laudato Si' Vision Fulfillment Team minutes

Present: Claire, Patty, Lissa, Tim; Absent: Alex, Marta, David

Minutes of September 15 meeting are posted in googledocs folder.

Updates:

Tim announced that he is now serving on the Leadership VFT. Tim is prepared and interested to help the team with leadership training, one of its projects.

Claire spoke with Marta; and her father's Rosary with eulogies is later today. Marta asked for prayers to get through it. The funeral is tomorrow; and Lissa has sent out the link from Marta to view the services. Nb

Webliography:

In process. Patty spoke to David via email this past week about some organizational categories based on our 5 projects, and David thought they would work. Patty will broaden the categories based on the areas in the proposal to Fr. Joachim. The webliography has to have some international focus because of the breadth of the Passionist community. Patty is working toward a draft that can be shared with the LS VFT. It will be posted on googledocs. Members suggested that we keep in mind that many readers of the webliography may be new to Laudato Si'. Perhaps a way to organize the webliography is to have questions, for example: "Who is Thomas Berry? " and "What can I do?".

Sustainability Audits Process:

Patty agreed to contact Sr. Corinne Sanders, OP, Director of Sustainability for the Adrian Dominican Sisters to request she come to one of our meetings to help us focus on the assessments and plans (Proposal #4) and give us some suggestions of resources. In the meantime, Patty will send our LS VFT Team some info about Sr. Corinne and her work, so we can prepare questions for her.

In speaking about religious orders, we reflected that the vowed and lay may have different lifestyles, but what binds us to together is the <u>charism</u>.

Contacts at CP sites:

Team members reported back that they are in conversation with their various sites and **will fill in data on the spreadsheet** available at <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1G8-</u> <u>HUqdS8JX Ipy rXp5JVNOdVHQdt /view?usp=sharing</u>) as the process progresses. Those present spoke of possible contacts with whom they will follow up, including Ken Schmidt with the Nashville Passionist Partners. Lissa envisions a time when we can widen the LS circle by holding gatherings with all these contacts.

Laudato Si communications:

- Webpage-Claire spoke with the payment processor, who suggested we create a LS donation page, with drop-down of LS projects. She will differentiate fund codes. The LS web page will be mobile responsive.
- Twitter-Lissa is sending some LS content to Marci for posting on Twitter.
- Ryan Gold is now doing the Vision Fulfillment Newsletter and our LS VFT is scheduled for an article submission in December.

Collaboration with New Partnerships report back:

Lissa met with Elizabeth Velarde, Chair of the New Partnerships VFT on 9-14-20. Elizabeth agreed to bring up the adoption of Laudato Si' (AKA Integral Ecology) Ends Policies for the retreat houses in HCP. She was meeting with the Board Chairs very soon, and she put this on their agenda. Lissa suggested that she and Patty meet with Elizabeth soon, and offer our assistance in writing the policies. Lissa is meeting with the entire New Partnerships VFT later today.

Progress Report for Leadership Day (Thursday, December 10, 2020)

To be discussed when Fr. Alex returns.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 29 at 10am Pacific/noon Central/1pm Eastern.