

**Marenda Board Meeting
August 27, 2010
St. Pius X Parish, Wauwatosa**

9:30 a.m.

David Kenny – Chair	Marian Lamoureux – Membership Secretary
Ann Fons – WDREF Rep	Heather Lukaszewski – Vice Chair
Barb Gawlik – Webmaster, Exc.	Rosalie Sass - Treasurer
Danelle Kegley – WDREF Rep	Ruth Weiss – Recording Secretary
Lety Kenny – WDREF Rep	June Wessa, Judy Adrian - PAMA

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. and was opened with prayer.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP ACTION
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New Business

Marenda & PAMA discussion
Lay Ecclesial Ministry

Archdiocesan Lay Ecclesial Ministry Committee was formed seven years ago. The two main goals were to write job descriptions for Lay Ecclesial Ministers working in parishes and to begin a process of forming one group under which all Lay Ecclesial Ministers were unified. After discussions with all groups in Lay Ecclesial Ministry, a proposal for a unified approach to L.E.M. was submitted to Archbishop Dolan in November 2007 and received his approval. A new Archdiocesan position for oversight of L.E. Ministry was planned. Due to budget cuts, no funding was available for this position. Job descriptions for Parish Directors, Pastoral Associates, Parish Nurses, Business/Finance Administrators were developed by Rick Tank. The L.E.M. Committee has planned two events; the first is in October 2010 and the second will be held during Lent 2011. These events are for parish staffs; lay ecclesial ministers and priests attend together.

Marenda, the organization for Catechetical Leaders in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, welcomes all lay ecclesial ministers to become members. **Marenda** was planned as and operates independently from the Archdiocese. **Marenda** collaborates with the Archdiocese and other groups to provide ongoing formation for its members. **Marenda** is a member of the Wisconsin Directors of Religious Education Federation (**WDREF**) and the National Conference of Catechetical Leadership (**NCCL**).

Pastoral Associates in Ministry Association (**PAMA**) was formed in 1991 to support and advocate for lay pastoral associates in the Milwaukee Archdiocese. Members of PAMA have participated in the dialogue process and proposal for a unified approach to lay ecclesial ministry proposed by the

L.E.M. Committee.

In June 2010, Marda and PAMA Boards agreed to collaborate for two general meetings during 2010 – 2011. Membership and future of both organizations was discussed. Do we want to continue the dialogue?

David K. will contact PAMA leadership to arrange meetings for continuing the dialogue. The Marda Board agreed to put this issue on the agenda at a general meeting.

Program booklet

Ann will make corrections/additions to the brochure and email copy to board members for final review before printing (color at best price). Mail using labels with titles and parish names. Ann will send Barb finalized copy for the website. Ann will email Gary P. with a copy of the brochure to email to those on his email list.

Danelle will send a picture of Bill Johnson and Nancy McKnight for the brochure.

Heather will contact Archbishop's Office for picture of Archbishop ListECKI for the brochure. Email Ann.

Rosalie will contact Barb for a picture of Ann Marie Eckert for the brochure.

Registration

David will write a welcome letter encouraging registration.

David will contact Barb about updating the website to include: welcome letter, calendar (events at a glance), registration form. Email registrations should go directly to Marian.

Margarita Fiesta Cruise
Friday, September 24, 2010
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Edelweiss River Cruise
Milwaukee River, Downtown Milwaukee

Rosalie will check with Dave. D. about number of tickets. (Tickets must be paid for in advance. Refunds for tickets not sold three days prior to the 24th.)

Bob B. will organize the end of the year Brewers game in June 2011.

Old Business

September General Meeting

September 23, 2010 (Thursday)
St. William Church
The Spirituality of Lay Ministry
Bill Johnson and Nancy McKnight

Lety will prepare the flyer for Sept. 23rd General Meeting (and flyers for the other meetings).
Prayer and hospitality/lunch **TBD**.
David will check with Gary P. about announcement time/table at the Sept. 8th Welcome Back Day.

January General Meeting

January 20, 2011 (Thursday)
St. Mary Parish, Hales Corners
Vision of the Mission of the Archdiocese and How We Can Share In This Vision
Archbishop ListECKI

Rosalie contacted Jim Beuscher about the stipend for the Archbishop. Board decision needed.
Nomination Committee should ask for nominations and give timeline.

June Retreat

June 1-2, 2011 (Wednesday – Thursday)
Pallotti Retreat Center. Elkhorn, WI
Sabbath
Ann Marie Eckert

Marenda pays for plane fare.
June 1st General Meeting from 10:00 a.m. to Noon (lunch).
New Board members installed.
Retreat June 1st, 1:00 p.m. to June 3rd, Noon.

WDREF Retreat

Planning Committee meets after the board meeting.

Reports

Treasurer

Rosalie changed account to Visa debit card.

WDREF Convention

November 10-12, 2010 (Wednesday – Friday)
The Soul of Leadership
Presenters: Gregory Pierce, Jane Regan, and Bishop John O. Barres – Dioceses of Allenton, PN
Heidel House, Green Lake, WI

Board will organize carpooling.
Lety has WDREF folders.
Loyola will not cover speaker fee for Jane Regan. Board agreed to WDREF Board request to sponsor part of the fee, \$200, if needed.

Membership – no report
Archdiocese – no report

Agenda items:

Board timeline part of Constitution
Communication added to the Vice President's job description
Discuss *contract status* of membership in the Constitution
Stipend for Archbishop
Board meeting dates

Prayer, hospitality for general meetings

The meeting concluded with prayer at 12:30 p.m.

Next Mareda Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 26, 2010

10:30 – 12:30 a.m.

St. Bernard Parish