

Parent and Family Relations Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, September 22, 2009  
7:00 PM  
Oren Gateway Building, Room 110

Attending: Sally Daniels, Debbie Connolly, Dennis Connolly, Charmayne Sletten, Chuck Sletten, Katherine Sanders, Rev. Judith VanOsdol-Hansen, Lynda Frayne, Tim Matyi, Elaine Matyi, Nancy Thorson, Joan Locke, Kim Grzesiak, George Klus, Anne Klus, Joy Stenhaus, Todd Svano, Vicki Svano, Lois Ziolkowski, Carol O. Larson, Dan Ringstad, Linda Ringstad, Nan McGrane, Inez Bergquist, John Bergquist, Steve Korstad, Rachel Korstad,

The meeting was called to order by Co-Presidents Chuck and Charmayne Sletten at 7:00 pm. Introductions and welcomes were made by Sally Daniels and the Slettens.

Our first speaker was Dianne Detloff, Center for Counseling & Health Promotion. Her department offers programs and services to enhance student learning through development and well-being. The services they offer are counseling, student health clinic through Smiley's Clinic, student health insurance, health promotion and self-help resources on the CCHP website. Any problems the student may have are addressed by counselors and health educators. In the first few weeks of the school year, there were 32 students that were seen by the Center. The Center will help with H1N1 procedures, flu shot clinics being offered on campus, and depression screenings. Augsburg contracts with Smiley's Clinic for a \$5 co-pay for those without insurance; transportation is also supplied by the college.

John Pack, Augsburg Public Safety, was our second speaker. Parking permits went very quickly this year. Please be careful when parking on campus. When attending these meetings, you must have a permit on your dashboard. There is escort service available 24/7 for all Augsburg students – they just need to dial 1717.

Our third speaker was Sonja Hagander, Associate Pastor at Augsburg. Sonja talked about students finding their way during the first month of school. She talked about the Campus Ministry program for students. Augsburg is one of the few colleges to offer chapel every day. Twenty minutes is set aside each day for chapel (10:40 am), with Community Time following chapel on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. This is a time to focus each day during students' busy and challenging lives. There are many opportunities for student outreach and service: Wednesday Nights at 9:09, Doing Theology with Girlfriends (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 7:00 pm), Doing Theology with Dudes (every Monday at 9:00 pm), youth ministry teams (events every weekend in October), worship assistants, bible

studies, Campus Kitchens, retreats (October 16) and concerts, athletic tournaments and Advent Vespers.

Our fourth speaker was Ben Krouse-Gagne, Vice President of the Augsburg Day Student Senate. He is a Junior Auggie that supports and advocates for day student ideas, concerns and activities. Some of the activities he has been involved in include: greening of campus, the changeover of cafeteria vendors, and composting (trayless meals). The Senate is also organizing a student organization fair being held on September 23 in Christensen Center.

Our final speaker was Ann Garvey, Associate Dean of Student Affairs. Ann briefly spoke about the first few weeks of school and the desire to engage students to ask the question “Why are you here”?

Graduation was held the first week in May. The Parent Council took tickets and handed out programs. The last weekend in June was graduation for the WEC and graduate students.

Augsburg Homecoming is scheduled for October 1-4. The picnic in the Park will be held from 10:00-1:00. The Hamline/Augsburg football game begins at 1:00. There will be a variety of vendors, including, Davannis, Ben and Jerrys and Buffalo Wild Wings. The Rockin Hollywoods will play in the evening.

Advent Vespers is scheduled for the first weekend in December. This is the 30<sup>th</sup> year of this program. Ticket requests will be mailed to families in early November. If you are interested in ushering, please contact Sally.

### **Calendar for 2009-2010 School Year**

Tuesday, October 20 – 7:00 pm – PFRC Meeting (Oren Gateway, Room 100)  
Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5 -- Advent Vespers – Central Lutheran Church  
Tuesday, January 19 – 7:00 pm – PFRC Meeting (Oren Gateway, Room 100)  
Tuesday, February 16 – 7:00 pm – PFRC Meeting (Christensen Center, Mpls. Room)  
Friday and Saturday, February 19-20 – Admissions Scholarship Weekend  
Tuesday, March 16 – 7:00 pm – PFRC Meeting (Oren Gateway, Room 100)  
April (TBA) – PFRC Meeting at Augsburg House  
Saturday, May 1 – Graduation

Debbie Connolly  
Parent and Family Relations Council Secretar