



National Conference for Catechetical Leadership

BOARD REPORT

Highlights of the Board meeting, February 15, 2011

1. We opened with prayer: *We cannot do everything, but we can something and do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.*
2. Executive Director Update:
 - A. Effective March 7, Peter J. Murphy, director of the Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of Washington, will be the executive director of the Secretariat of Evangelization and Catechesis of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). For more info see <http://www.usccb.org/comm/archives/2011/11-029.shtml>.
 - B. Caroline Cervený is working with the Schools Office in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. They will be encouraging participation in NCCL's pre-conference session on Digital Discipleship.
 - C. Information was sent to all NCCL members on two different scholarships available for Young Adults.
 - D. The deadline for the Diocesan Directors Scholarship was extended until the end of the month.
 - E. Candidates for the Sr. Maria de la Cruz Scholarship were forwarded to the Scholarship Committee.
 - F. NCCL members were invited to submit White Papers on "Catechesis on the Eucharist".
 - G. Work continues to be done on the "Catechetical Heritage Project" spearheaded by Ed Gordon.
 - H. Some current users of the Effective DRE series, produced by NCCL and Loyola Press, will be surveyed to determine what updates and additional titles are needed in this series.
 - I. The \$75 for 75 Years campaign will begin in March. All Board members have contributed to the campaign. NCCL has also received two advance gifts totaling \$750.
3. President's Update:
 - A. The Annual Conference Planning Committee has welcomed Amy Daniels, new diocesan director of religious education in the Archdiocese of Atlanta, to the committee.
 - B. The Evangelization Committee has begun discussions on generational differences among Catholics and others; the Catholics Returning Home media program being discussed in some dioceses; and the implications of the 2008 Pew Forum report on shifting religious affiliations among Americans.
4. The decision was made on the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award.
5. CL magazine has been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances, but is now moving forward.
6. The Board continues to discuss issues raised during the Rep Council discussion on provinces.

Respectfully submitted,
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