



NRVC Hudson Valley Member Area
Zoom Meeting Minutes
Date: March 7, 2024 – 10 am -11 am

Facilitator: Sr. Gloria Ardenio Agnes, MM

Prayer: Sr. Maria Amador Ruiz, PCM

Attendance: Sr. Gloria Ardenio Agnes, MM

Sr. Maria Amador, PCM

Sr. Donna del Santo, SSJ

Sr. Yolanda Flores, MSC

Sr. Celia Deutsch, NDS

Bro. Edward Shields, FSC

Sr. Jenny Wilson, RSM

Prayer: Sr. Maria Amador, PCM led the prayer.

Welcome and Check-in: Sr. Gloria Ardenio Agnes, MM, welcomed the Zoom participants. After the welcome, each one was given the time to give an update of themselves.

Discussion: Sr. Gloria Agnes, MM. encouraged the participants to consider taking and/or attending the following programs:

1. Summer Programs: the NRVC Summer Courses. She invited the participants to check on the NRVC website to see the variety of courses available.

A. Orientation Program for New Vocation Ministers is scheduled on July 10-14, 2024.

B. Ethical Issues in Vocation and Formation Ministry- July 16-17, 2024

C. Behavioral Assessment – July 19 – 21, 2024

D. Health and Wellness in Candidate Assessment Workshop – July 23 – 24, 2024

E. Being Human and Sexual: An Evolving Understanding Workshop- July 26 – 29, 2024

➤ Summer Courses 2024 will be held in Marillac Center Leavenworth, KS.

Sister Gloria explained how convenient it is to have an NRVC membership since members get substantial discounts.

2. 2024 Convocation: The theme of the convocation is, “Walking Humbly Together”. It will be held on October 31- November 4 in Minneapolis, MN. Sr. Maria asked the participants how many of them were planning to attend. Three of the participants were planning to attend and two were waiting to make the decision due to some scheduling conflict.

3. In-Person Meeting: All of the participants agreed that it’s difficult to meet in person during these times; however, we all agreed on meeting in person in Albany in May 5-7, 2024.

- Sr. Jenny Wilson is going to find out if her community’s retreat house is available on those dates to hold the meeting.

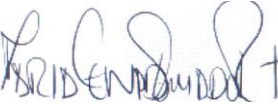
- Theme: The participants agreed that the theme will be on Migration in line with Vocation Ministry for the in-person gathering.
- Speaker: Sr Jenny Wilson is going to contact Sr. Ivette Diaz, a Sister of Mercy, who is working as a Coordinator of Interculturality for her community, to see if she is available to be the speaker of the meeting.
- The participants were excited and looking forward to have more conversation and sharing about the said topic above.
- If Sr. Ivette Diaz will not be available, Sr. Jenny will ask her for some materials that we can use as a group.
- Sr. Donna Del Santo, SSJ offered to send the group some materials that can facilitate us and engage into a deeper conversation of our desire topic.
- Bro. Edward Shields, FSC suggested that the topic on Migration in line on Vocation Ministry could be expanded to Inculturality since the reality of religious / consecrated life in community is very diverse and complex.
- Sr. Celia Deutsch, NDS suggested to look at Inculturality in light of Community living and other components of religious / consecrated life that are interrelated to Migration.

Selection of New MAC: Sister Gloria Agnes informed the group that Sr. Maria Amador, PCM, has completed her two-year period as Co-Coordinator of the Hudson Valley Area. All participants agreed on making that decision during the in-person meeting. Hopefully, more people may attend the in-person meeting.

Various:

1. Sr. Maria Amador informed participants that Sr. Carmen Maldonado, SSC, emailed her to let everyone know that she is transferring her membership and participation to another NRVC region. To which, Sister Gloria Agnes said she is going to write a letter to Sr. Carmen Maldonado to thank her for her “joyful” participation as a Hudson Valley Area member.

Conclusion: The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.


Sr. Maria Amador, PCM
Recorder