Minutes - School of Leaders, January 3, 2017

I.   Leader's Prayer and Leader's Group Reunion

- Leader's Group Reunion format was used.

II.   Technique Presentation – School of Leaders, it's format by Marty Sprinzl

- Outline attached

III.   Doctrinal Presentation – Whom Shall I Send by Father Salmani, Chapter 11

- Copy of the chapter attached

- Discussion followed using discussion questions

IV.   Secretariat Introduction

- Lay Director, Finance and School of Leaders chairpersons each said a few words.

- Secretaries need for someone to help with the upcoming Cursillos was

presented without resolution.

V.   Closing Prayer lead by Deacon Frank

Technique Presentation – SOL Format

References

1. Leaders' Manual, 9th Edition, 2006, Chapter 6
2. School of Leaders, National Cursillo Center Mailing, August 2007 (National Website).
3. How to Program a School of Leaders, 1983
4. My own perspective
5.

The Term and misunderstanding.

Read from "How to Program…" page 13. Paragraphs 3-5. The paragraphs clarify the use of the term school. "Many medieval Schools were places where disciples were formed, followers of the Master … Nowadays this evangelical significance of the word School has been forgotten."

Format of the SOL

1. Leader's Prayer at the Start - Piety
   a. Reminder of what it means to be a leader

b. Inspires us to "a high level". A supernatural love.

c. Humility before God. He who does and not us.

2. Leaders' Group Reunion- Study

a. The most important element – usually the 1st to be eliminated

b. Friendship

c. Unity – Mentality of Cursillo

3. Technique Presentation-Study

a. Given by a lay person

b. Purpose: keep leaders current on all matters of Cursillo. Instruction on the method, technique and purpose of the movement.

c. References

i. Fundamental Ideas

ii. Lower Your Nets

iii. Leaders' Manual

d. Need people to give the technique presentation.

4. Doctrinal Presentation-Study

a. Ordained religious

b. Abreast of changes, news of the church

c. Purpose – progressive conversion of Leaders. Draw us closer to God.

d. Suggested reference material

i. Whom shall I send

ii. Letters from Popes

e. Need religious to give Doctrinal presentation

5. Work of the Sections - Action

a. Time for committees to get together

b. Multiple SOL how? Topic that will need to be discussed at future SOL and within the Secretariat.

6. Section Reports and Announcements - Action

a. Transparency

b. Face to face communication

7. Visit to the Blessed Sacrament at the end - Piety

a. Reminder – Who and Why the Movement exists

b. Closure – Fitting way to end the meeting

        i. Quiet reflection on the meeting

      ii. Way to finish – call an end

c. Why not do this before the meeting?

        i. Prayer before beginning.

      ii. Ongoing prayer – constant.

    iii. Obedience – avoid the arrogance that we think we can do it better.

    iv. Absence of some special need to do things differently.