Faith Task Force Meeting

December 13, 2008 St. Andrew Lutheran Church 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

MEETING #2 WEB SUMMARY

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting began with a brief welcome, introductions, and a brief review of Meeting #1.

Cognitive clothesline

Facilitator Grady St. Dennis presented umbrella topics to categorize all the areas that will need to be discussed.

Discussion topics proposed:

- Nurturing faith development
- Academic learning
- Public statements as a College
- Inter-faith and intra-Christian dialogue
- Engagement/collaborations with broader church and other faith communities
- Communication externally and internally
- Vocation, reflection, service

Topic Discussions

In small groups, members discussed each of the Strategic Initiatives assigned to the Faith Task Force (listed below).

Within each initiative, members were encouraged to explore current programs/strengths to build on or new ideas from the topics laid out in the "cognitive clothesline."

- 4.1 Challenge all students to develop a mature understanding of Christian faith and a deeper sense of vocation and reflective practice.
- 4.2 Develop and sustain an interfaith culture and habits of interfaith dialogue.
- 4.3 Develop Gustavus's relationship to regional, national, and international Lutheran congregations as centers of faith and lifelong learning and venues for learning, artistic performance, and student recruitment.