Friday, 25 September 2015

General Administration

The meeting of the General Council on Tuesday was almost completely dedicated to the preparation of ARC.

This preparation work continued today as members of the GA have been meeting with Sr Christine Anderson fcj. Christine has been appointed as the facilitator of the next General Chapter and she will also guide the upcoming ARC meeting.

Fr Kevin Duffy is in Paris together with Fr Didier Hadonou for meetings with the European provincial council concerning cooperation between Africa and Europe, and also for meetings on the Africa School Project.

Fr Alejandro Muñoz is in Lyon for a planning meeting for the Marist Youth Encounter in 2016.



ARC MEETING IN LA NEYLIÈRE TO START NEXT WEEK

From 1 to 10 October the members of the General Administration and the Major Superiors will join for their annual ARC meeting, which will take place in La Neylière, France.

Among the Agenda items:

- Superior General's report
- Responses to the Action Plans of the letter from the Superior General to the Major Superiors "Leadership for Mission". These action plans are about vocations promotion; strengthening districts and consolidation provinces; Society wide important works; prioritisation of ministries; redistribution of personnel; citycentre churches and the Africa school project.
- The report of the review of Marist International Formation
- Finances: the bursar general's report and an update of the Financial Review implementation
- On-going formation programs: training of formators and Colinian renewal
- Preparations for the General Chapter 2017 including setting a Society-wide survey process.

MEETING OF THE GENERAL FINANCE COMMITTEE



From Thursday to Saturday of this week the members of the General Finance Committee are meeting in the General House. The General Finance Committee—whose work is described in DC45-47—"assists the superior general and his council in the administration of the finances of the Society at the general level". The members of the GFC—elected at the

Council of the Society in Dublin in 2013—are Frs Jacques Arguin (Canada), Hubert Bonnet-Eymard (Europe) and John Harhager (USA). The General Bursar, Fr Paul Cooney, is present at some of their meetings as a resource person. Their task is

- to review the financial report on the general fund of the Society and make recommendations;
- To give advice on the annual budget of the general administration;
- To make recommendations about possible changes in the annual contribution expected from each province;
- To give advice on the financial implications of projects foreseen by the superior general and his council;
- To ensure that the practice of solidarity within the Society be maintained.