

MISSIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES  
OCTOBER 2, 2018

ATTENDEES: Bill Graf, Michael Eaton, JoAnn Vogt, Pem and JoAnn Dunn, John Olson, Marilyn Gildersleeve, Tracy Atlas, and Janice Vickery

Committee Chair, Bill Graf, gave the opening prayer.

1. EChO: John Olson reported the EChO Board is working on strategic planning for the coming year and a review of by-laws.

-- The fund-raiser concert, a tribute to the Eagles, held on Aug 24 at the Marshdale Barn was a success.

-- The 2018 Turkey Trot, also a fundraiser, will be Thanksgiving morning starting at 9:00 a.m.

-- Emergency Shelter Program opens for the season on October 22 and EChO is looking for volunteers. To participate, volunteers must take their training. Dates for training are as follows:

Oct. 2, 6-8 PM Congregation Beth Evergreen

Oct. 4, 6-8 PM Bergen Park Church, Evergreen

Oct 14, 5-7 PM Evergreen Lutheran Church

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-- This program is expanding and still being developed. There's a possibility the temperature for the participating churches to open their doors will change from 22 degrees to freezing. UMCE supports this program but does not participate by hosting overnight guests. JoAnn Vogt said many volunteers are needed and even providing a meal would be very much appreciated.

2. Fall Festival: Bill thanked everyone who supported the festival by participating in the cake walk or purchasing bake goods to donate. Missions needs to re-think the cake walk for next year so that just a few children won't go home with all the goodies.

3. Budget Request Activity: Michael said Pastor Deb is reviewing and there is nothing to report yet.

4. Mountain Resource Center (MRC) Missions committee is in need of someone to be the liaison representative between MRC and Missions Committee.

-- The Mountain Bowls Luncheon and Dinner fundraiser is scheduled for Oct 16 at the Aspen Ridge Church. Lunch is from 11:00 to 2:00 and dinner is 4:30 to 7:30. Tickets are available at MRCCO.org.

-- The Evening Mountain Bowls Gala fundraiser event was held in September.

5. Family Promise: JoAnn Dunn report that the Family Promise fundraiser event is The Warming Ways for Winter – 2018. It will be on Thursday, Nov 1. Cost is \$60 per person, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Contact number is 303-675-0713. Family Promise accomplished moving 45 families out of homelessness this year.

-- The next turn for UMCE to host Family Promise is Nov 30 and Dec 1. We will need someone for overnights and a dinner for each evening. JoAnn Vogt offered to supply one of the dinners.

-- For the Family Promise Adopt a Family Holiday Program, we've had good success in adopting one or two families. For the past two years, we've signed up for one family, but been able to take care of two. Previously, JoAnn Dunn passed a Christmas stocking around at our Thanksgiving luncheon and collected enough money for two families.

6. We would also like to adopt an EChO family for Christmas.

7. Finances: Michael had no report on finances, but he reported on this year's Vacation Bible School. The weekend format for VBS was tried, which resulted in more adults attending, but with fewer kids which equaled less tuition. This will need to be thought out again for next year.

8. Alternative Gift Fair: Bill reports that this year's AGF at the Evergreen Lutheran Church will be on November 10 from 9:00 to 4:00 and from 9:00 to 3:00 on the 11th. He will bring his laptop and assist in sign-ups on Sign-Up Genius this coming Sunday. Volunteers can also sign up at home via Sign-Up Genius. There will be four shifts for driving the van. Bill is unsure if our youth will be working in the snack bar this year. This will be good for the kids if they do because they can earn some money. Linda Schroeder is co-chair of the AGF bake sale and will also be coordinating baked goods donated at UMCE.

9. Jo Ann Dunn has the list of Missions Committee Opportunities that Nancy DeGuire prepared. It could be made into a book, but the group felt a list would be best.

10. Thank you to Tracee Atlas who volunteered to be the Chairperson for our Nov. 6 meeting.

11. Michael gave the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

Upcoming dates: UMCE Church Council - Oct 14  
Circuit All-Church Charge Conference - Dec 2

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janice Vickery

