

DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

November 14, 2017

7:30 p.m.

Members:

Lisa Bansen-Harp
Rae Leonard

Sharon Easterling* (Youth)
Ed Labbe (Elder)

Sheila Svoboda (DCFM)
Marian Wahl (Deacon)

Opening Prayer

Approval of October 10, 2017 minutes

Agenda: Additions/Corrections

UPDATES:

Youth Education/Activities – Sharon Easterling

- Youth Vision Team – Meeting on 11/19 at 5 PM
- Still looking for Youth Admin team representation on Discipleship
- Young Endowment Fund for Youth Programs will pay up to \$1,000 for Ministry Architects through the end of the year now that the 10 free hours are used up.
- Motion will be going to Session to approve up to \$3,200 from the Young Fund to pay for Sean to continue as Youth Coordinator through June 10, 2018 (School year).

There will not be monies for a youth coordinator in 2018, but funds will probably be freed up for a part-time position after Jim Mismas's retirement.

- October 14: Hike & bonfire at Bramley's - Review
Good fellowship for both the youth and the adults who helped with the event.
Many thanks to Bill for opening his beautiful farm to the group!
- December 10: Christmas party – Admin team is beginning to execute the planning
- February 4: Super Bowl Subs sale. The paper trail from previous sub sales isn't in the binder. Someone will need to contact Pat Santelli to get details.
- April 13-14: (Good Neighbors?) service project and lock-in at church
- June 7: Kalahari Water Park
- Youth calendar brochure designed by Cindy Beidler is nearly ready for publication.

- Confirmation
 - 10 session Schedule from Jan-May.
 - Confirmation on Pentecost (May 20)
 - Mentoring: The committee's feeling is that individuals should be approached, rather than asking for volunteers. Parents will be consulted concerning 'fit' between their confirmand and possible mentors. Mentors will receive guidelines.
3 confirmands, probably. Lou Albertson a possible mentor.
Ministry Architects reminds us that mentors will need to have a background check.

Adult Education - Rae Leonard

- Guided Tour through the Bible series – OT through November; NT in Spring (starting in February)
28 attendees on the role (though not all attend every session)
- Jon will run a class in January.
- Advent Series – Jon in December

Prayer Quilt Ministry - Marian Wahl

The group will meet next week, then take Dec. off. They have quilts made ahead. Marian has sent the news to the Script.

Children and Family Ministries - Sheila Svoboda

- Update for Room 104
The last details in the refresh are being finished, and the monies have come in.
- Halloween Party – October 28, 3:00-5:00 – Review
A success, but we are planning a re-orientation next year to make the event more service-based, a sort of reverse trick-or-treat. It will be scheduled the week before Halloween, as some families have multiple parties to attend on Halloween weekend. Brainstorming is in progress (we may include Rockynol, and/or bring items for the food bank, or do a Trick-or-treat for Unicef...)
- Advent Workshop – December 3, 4:30 – 7:00 – Planning update
Rehearsal for the Christmas Pageant will precede the dinner and workshop. Lisa will order and pick up chicken at Showcase Meats (the 75-piece party pack, like last year). Sides are potluck.
- Christmas Pageant – December 17, 10:30
- Ice Skating and Children's Museum – January 7, 3:00-5:00
Sheila has sent information to the Script.
- Parenting Speaker – February 25 after church, in conjunction with a luncheon.
 - Sheila found a speaker: Andy Davis from Catholic Charities - member of the Summit County Opiate Task Force and a trained speaker for the speaker's bureau
 - Funding will come from the Pentecost restricted fund (\$538), but speaker is free, so other than food for the luncheon, we should determine an appropriate group to whom to donate. Gert Wilms has suggested the Summit County Opiate Task Force Teen Section.
 - This is something that we will want to publicize to the Presbytery. Jon can send an e-mail out to area Presbyterian clergy.
 - Planning for the lunch will be on the January agenda.

Church-Wide Discipleship events

We need more adult fellowship events.

Possibilities:

--Flash lunches (how to structure / encourage these needs more discussion)

--Game night scheduled for Saturday, January 27, 4:00-6:00. Lisa will take care of necessary forms and Script announcement. We will want to talk this up in January.

WPC LOVES GAMES! Saturday, January 27, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Looking for warm fellowship on a chilly winter afternoon? Bring your favorite board, card, or other game (and a friend, if you want!). All ages welcome. Drinks and snacks provided. Sponsored by the Discipleship Committee. Contact Lisa Bansen-Harp with questions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Eberts Lecture – June 2-3, 2018 - Alex Sider: Ministering to those with disabilities - Planning after New Year.
- New Discipleship member(s)
 - Jon suggested some new names:
 - Marc and Peggy Massaros (Marian will contact)
 - Pookie Barnes (Lisa will contact)
 - Lou Albertson (Jon will contact)
 - Bobbie Weaver
 - Cathy Melver expressed interest, but 2nd Tuesdays won't work for her.
 - We suggest Jon make a plea for committees from the pulpit. New members are often unaware of how the committees work, and that they can join without being nominated.
A suggestion: in early January, put a flyer in the bulletin with a list of committees (including the name of the committee, a brief description of what it does, and the name of the chair or contact person). Encourage congregants to put a check by the committees they would be interested in serving on, and place the list in the offering plate. The idea is to encourage service in the New Year.

NEW BUSINESS

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Closing Prayer

Next meeting – January 9, 2017 @ 7pm