

DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

September 12, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Members:

Lisa Bansen-Harp
Rae Leonard

Sharon Easterling* (Youth)
Ed Labbe (Elder)

Sheila Svoboda (DCFM)
Marian Wahl (Deacon)

Opening Prayer

Approval of August 8, 2017 minutes

Agenda: Additions/Corrections

UPDATES:

Script articles are due tomorrow. Sheila has sent in articles on upcoming children's events. Rae will do a write-up for adult Christian ed classes. Sean (Ministry Architect) will send articles for the Youth program.

Youth Education/Activities –

Sharon was unavailable for this meeting and has a conflict with the October meeting as well. Ed gave the report, having attended the last meetings of the Youth Visioning and Youth Admin teams:

--Youth Ministry Admin Team has a new member: Earl Pierson.

--A desideratum would be a Youth Ministry Admin Team member on Discipleship, to facilitate communication between the committees.

--Youth Ministry Vision Team – New Event Calendar:

October: Hike & bonfire (date TBA—hopefully not Oct. 28, the date of the Halloween Party for the younger children, as youth help would be welcome and fun).

December 10: Christmas party

February 4: Super Bowl Subs sale

April (date TBA): Good Neighbors service project and lock-in at church

June 10: Kalahari Water Park: June 10

--Confirmation – Curriculum/Schedule

Jon is working on it.

Adult Education - Rae Leonard

--Sunday School update: 12-13 attended Rae's Trip through the Bible class on Rally Day
11 attended the parenting class led by Sheila

Prayer Quilt Ministry - Marian Wahl

--The group will be making a quilt for Cindy Weiss. Inquiries are being made about a quilt for another church member the quilters think might appreciate one.

Children and Family Ministries - Sheila Svoboda

--Sunday School - Rally Day – September 10 – Review

The Sunday School year started off well, with good attendance and much enthusiasm.

--Tween Ushering

Seems to have gone well (reports from the supervising adults are not yet in).

--Update for Room 104

The room has been painted and trimmed in cheerful colors (thanks to Kayla, Sheila, Casey). A large rug is coming.

--Godly Play and BSR Open House – scheduled for October 8

--Tweens Event at Skyzone – October 8, 11:30-2:00

--Halloween Party – October 28, 3:00-5:00

We will try to recruit some of the youth to help. Sheila is looking into some carnival-type games.

--Parenting Speaker – Spring 2018 – See Pentecost Funds

Nothing new to report at present.

Church-Wide Discipleship events

--Ice Cream Social – August 12, 7:00-8:30 (Wrap-up)

For future reference, the notes on amounts of ice cream and topping purchased are now in Ed's committee binder.

Question: should we schedule the social for July, or keep it in August? We will review later.

--Labor Day Picnic – September 3 after Worship (Wrap-up)

100-piece chicken from Showcase Meats was perfect amount (1 piece left over). Cost was \$99.99. It appears that the free-will offering came close to defraying the cost. Holding the event at the church instead of off-site seemed to encourage better attendance.

--Presbyterian Pandemonium – November 12--cancelled

Suggestions have been made to hold this on a bi-annual rather than annual basis. Since Discipleship is currently low on members, this seems a good time to make the shift. Sheila will tell Germaine to remove it from the calendar.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

--Eberts Lecture – June 2018 event (Alex Sider)

--New Discipleship member(s) –

Jon will touch base with several people who have been asked to consider joining the committee (Mallory Gray, Deb Tondra, Kate Huizinga).

--Budget review/discussion – 2018 *balanced* budget is due October 1.

The committee reviewed and discussed the proposed budget and revised several items down from previous years.

A question we have for the Session: are committee budget line items viewed as ceilings not to be exceeded, or should we proceed with good-faith estimates that may be revised up if need be as well as down if the need is less than estimated?

--Pentecost Funds (~\$500 to be allocated) – Speaker topic: Opioid epidemic? – See Parenting Speaker

Jon has approached other Presbyterian churches in the area, and the response has been more 'we'll see about coming if you organize it' than the hoped for 'yes, we'd like to partner in making this event happen.'

NEW BUSINESS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

Closing Prayer

Next meeting – October 10, 2017 @ 7 pm (Rae will be late due to another meeting)