

Core Team Minutes

September 22, 2016

Love God, uplift people, inspire hope, and grow disciples of Jesus Christ
in our community and everywhere we go.

Present: Paula Green, Corinna Harris, Lori Boynton, Lynnette Dobberpuhl, Chad Gilbertson

Discussion

1. Public Safety Appreciation—(Sunday, September 25) Corinna is putting up signs thanking our PS professionals. Two sheet cakes are ordered. Red and blue balloons will be up. Invited police and fire departments, Mdewakanton public safety, (sheriff department unable to accommodate.) There will be a prayer and a blessing during worship.
2. Proposal for Parsonage Use—an African fellowship which is part of an Assembly of God community has been meeting in a home and are looking for a different kind of space for Sunday mornings (worship and Sunday school) and for Wednesday morning prayer meetings 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We declined the request for space for Sunday, but could accommodate them (15-20 people) in the lower level of the parsonage. Would need to talk to Trustees. Would need a building use agreement. Pro: it is good to use our facilities to grow the kingdom of God (no need to be territorial) and help a young group grow roots, there is a potential for a small remuneration. Cons: wear and tear on an aging space, may need to replace lockset on door. The pastor's credentials have been verified. The Core Team approved their use of the building, pending the Trustee's agreement.
3. Status from Ministry Leaders: need budgets and commitments or needs for continuing leadership.
4. Liaison Reporting
 - a. Marketing – Budget is submitted. Vic is stepping down, Chad will be contacting a nominee to take leadership.
 - b. Mission – No budget for Mission (all money is collected from donations vs. general fund) Mike Huss is willing to stay on. Discussed the idea of getting someone to work with him, as he travels so much.
 - c. Trustees – Budget is submitted. Proposing the removal of security upgrade since there has been no action in the past several years. Front stoop work has been delayed a few weeks. A portion of the new landscaping is done and looks good. A tentative date Oct 29 is set for Fall Clean Up. Still need volunteers for Oct 22 playground installation.
 - d. SPRC –Meeting Oct 5 to do budget, have redone the staff eval forms and process. Staff appreciation is on the task list for later. New custodial checklist and process for Suzy with Mary as SPRC liaison. Heather and Harry should be rolling off, so more nominees are needed.
 - e. CYF–Sunday school started off well, there are a number of youth events coming up, but need people to sign up (information going out in email soon) and October 3rd Wednesday has already got a couple of people volunteering to help.

- f. Operations—Barb Petrekovic would like to step down from Worship/Sanctuary leadership for next year. Sharon Dougherty and Barb Svedahl are joining team.. Keith Randa is willing to make sure technical items are covered, but would like someone else to handle scheduling. Audio team is doing well. Maia Caldwell with Nursery would like more volunteers and will be working with Volunteer Coordinators.
5. Stewardship Campaign—Beginning Oct 16, through Nov 6 which will be Commitment Sunday. Gives a few weeks break before Thanksgiving/Advent. The program is Defying Gravity (Break Free from the Culture of More). As part of this, outline opportunities for people to be involved in small groups, 3rd Wednesdays, choir, FMSC, Wesley Meals, etc. as well as ministry teams. Introduce the time/talent component the weeks before with a possible Time/Talent Fair the week before on the 30th, and the commitment can happen on the 6th for both financial/time talent.
 6. Building Committee Update—Don Oram’s Summary 2007-2016 was presented with a few numbers still to be filled in. Paula will get the final numbers, and the final summary will be presented to the congregation in writing, with an invitation for a congregation wide meeting in November for feedback and to discuss next steps (Do nothing, renovate, or build.). Paula will also seek an updated estimate of cost for an elevator, since that has been brought up from members of the congregation and will likely be helpful information.
 7. Strategic Planning—Multiply: We are officially registered for Multiply (cost of \$) This is an on demand online teaching/training with individual coaching. We need a team to navigate the process. Looking for eight nominees to commit to a year of meeting 2x a month. Submit names this week to begin recruiting.

Next Meetings - Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Upcoming dates:

- Budgets due 10/1
- Youth planning meetings 10/2
- Embrace the Documentary 10/5
- Tentative: Youth highway clean up 10/8
- Wesley Meal 10/15
- AED/CPR training 10/16
- Playground (tentative) 10/22
- Clean Water Clean Up 10/30