



Learning Committee: AGENDA – Oct 8, 2018 7:00 pm

Attendees:

EVENTS to discuss:

1. Recap past events (Tent Weekend – Movie Night, MBC)
 - a. Overall positive feedback on the event, including with the middle school help
 - b. For next year, include both middle school and high school youth helpers (assuming no Homecoming! 😊)
 - c. High School Youth Group made the cucuzza squash recipe and LOVED it!
2. Upcoming calendar of events:
 - a. Wednesday night programs – new dinner program going very well, lots of positive feedback that several families have paid the yearly dinner suggestion and are grateful for the opportunity of regular dinner coverage
 - i. Confirmation – for next year, will try using the Bible Class bibles for consistency from 3rd grade on.
 - ii. Fun with Faith
 - iii. Bible Class – Meredith purchased bibles through specifically directed Thrivent Choice dollars (thank you, Karen C!)
 1. **Action:** Meredith will assemble list of families with 3-5th grade eligible children – determine if anyone needs contacting to invite/encourage participation
 - b. Parent's Night Out – Nov 2nd (dinner + Dia de los Muertos + Movie Coco)
 - c. Oct 21 – Pumpkin Patch
 - d. Dec 16 – Christmas Program
 - e. December – Cookie jar fundraiser (Lisa Saner will lead again)
 - f. **Action:** Meredith will post school-year calendar of events online

TOPICS to discuss:

1. 2019 Budget Planning
 - a. Largest spend is summer trip
 - b. Another large bucket is food at youth events (Wednesday programs, HS youth group)
 - c. For Wednesday nights with service projects – will leverage Thrivent Action Teams
 - d. **Action:** Meredith will send budget for LC review – will discuss in next meeting or via email (depending if we can get a 1 week extension)
2. Budget tracking (youth/family line items): monthly review item
3. Council Report (“The Ivan Show” – emphasize which items are critical to discuss) and Call Committee questions (standing agenda item)
 - a. Strong hope that numbers and giving are down because of waiting for a new pastor
 - b. Susan has been a phenomenal MET chair
 - c. Discussion around announcements during service – LC finds these critical to strengthening community and ensuring congregation (as well as visitors) are properly informed
4. Check in on LC 2018 focus areas and goals – new committee members, middle school age service opportunities

MINISTRIES to discuss:

1. Elementary School, FWF & Joyful Noise

2. Confirmation/Middle School
3. High School YG
4. Nursery
5. Intern – future plans?
6. Anything else

Future topics: (Running list for record keeping)

1. Speaker topic for families – how to teach children the concept of “giving”
2. Adopt a Grandparent (need to determine how to foster connections / the overall concept needs a “lead”).
3. Spring break VBS – discuss with church council
4. Youth mission trip in 2019 – LRCC Connections Trip
 - a. Meredith presented summer trip idea with LRCC Connections at an orphanage
 - b. Actions for next meeting – Meredith will:
 - i. Prepare business case (including how to address any safety concerns)
 - ii. Speak with LRCC re: their past experiences on this trip re: safety
 - iii. Prepare business case for discussion at LC and then church council
 - iv. Check with new youth director at Trinity Lutheran re: speaking at church council
 - v. Determine scripture to guide the trip idea

Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Next meeting: Monday, Nov 5 at 7pm (and thank you Meredith for sending dates to Sheri – great to see the meetings in the bulletin!)