

Ministry Team: Learning
Meeting Date: November 9, 2010

ATTENDEES:

Nancy Ashland
Jill Gretzinger
Donna Haberland
Amy Henderson
Tracey Murray
Sharon Orsted

EXCUSED:

Anita Damon
Hollie Holtebeck
Gloria Luebke
Candy Rusin

Items that may require council action:

None

Items that may require budget/finance coordination:

None

Minutes:

Team discussed goals for 2011 and finalized them. Also discussed 2011 budget and will clarify a couple items before finalizing it and sending it on to the Support Ministry Team.

Discussed nursery needs. The question was raised about why nursery staff costs are in our budget as opposed to being included in staff costs of the church. Typically staff costs are not included in individual ministry team budgets. Jill/Anita will try to find the answer to this excellent question.

A teacher appreciation activity was done last week with bookmarks presented to the teachers with a thank you for their work. Another appreciation activity will be done in January.

Christmas programs are coming up on December 19 at both locations. Practice will be on December 12. There are some volunteers in place, more are needed. Pre-school will sing in church as well as part of the Christmas program. It was suggested that we might try to put third grade parents in charge of the Christmas program each year as then there is a tradition and expectation for those parents. Will try to include this in the information presented to parents at the beginning of next year's Sunday school year.

Library volunteers have disbursed Pastor Dismar's donation of books to both site libraries. There may be a need for a desk in the downtown library if the current desk is needed elsewhere. A new chair is also needed as the current one is broken.

The Bible Initiative: Pass It On project from Luther Seminary will allow FELC to get free bibles due to Pastor Mary's association with them. We will request 210 bibles for the pews (184 for downtown site, 26 for north site.) Part of the initiative is that our church in turn will offer these bibles to members who commit to use them regularly. We will then need to replace the bibles taken by members. If we estimated that we will need to replace half of those given to us by Luther Seminary, the cost would be approximately \$735 (105 bibles X \$7 per bible.) Learning Ministry will discuss with Worship Team to determine where the estimated cost should be placed on budget sheets.

Submitted by: Jill Gretzinger