

Ministry Team: Learning Ministry Team

Meeting Date: August 14, 2012

ATTENDEES:

**Kim Comerford
Anita Damon
Donna Haberland
Tracy Murray
Candy Rusin
Zay Lenaburg
Excused:
Nancy Ashland
Jeff Cieslik**

Ministry Team Terms:

Term ends February 2015: Zay Lenaburg
Term ends February 2014: Kim Comerford
Term ends February 2013: Candy Rusin, Nancy Ashland;
Tracy Murray
Council Representative 2012: Jeff Cieslik

Items that may require council action:

- None

New Task Force (include in minutes plus complete the form in the team folder)

- None

Ministry team minutes:

Items of Discussion:

1. Items for discussion
 - a. Congratulations, Zay Lenaburg is the North Site Children's Ministry Coordinator; Pastor Bryan Schmidt starts next week
 - b. Vacation Bible School
 - i. We had 125 participants this year, a few non-members from the Christian Cooperative Preschool and Kids Club. Most of the participants were registered beforehand. There were close to 50 helpers this year including the interns.
 - c. Sunday School updates
 - i. Candy had the idea of focusing on Ruth as an immigration story and also doing a "Bad Girls of the Bible" series.
 - ii. Donna says we are doing well on teachers, just need a few more. The team teachers are encouraged to teach together the first two to three weeks to get the kids acquainted with them and then they can either continue that way or do every other week.
 - iii. There is a Sunday School meeting next Wednesday for the teachers.
 - d. Could try Ministry Scheduler Pro for scheduling SS subs or nursery volunteers
 - i. May not work for the SS subs. Will maybe try with the nursery volunteers starting in January.
 - ii. If nursery is staffed with volunteers again this year, make it more clear we expect parents using the nursery to volunteer every once in a while.
 - iii. The nursery may be being used less because children are more welcome in service with the children's sermon.
 - e. Adult Ed updates
 - i. Kim - *The Present Future* – ideas for LMT
 - ii. *Unbinding the Gospel Study*–fall plans
 1. For the first two rounds of this, it is invite only to try to get leaders for the large groups that they want to do during Lent.
 2. Anita shared with us an example of the prayer journal. The assignment was to reach out to someone who isn't coming to church.
 - iii. Anita also said that the Fox Valley Lutheran homes outreach is going to continue and another group is going to start an outreach at an apartment complex.
 - f. Budget
 - i. Multiple Ministry Teams budget need - portable PA system \$1300-1400 *Any Thrivent matching funds?*; Update TV's at both sites; touch up painting Lower Level
 1. This is thinking ahead to the next budget. We didn't really discuss this so will probably talk about it next time.

Submitted by: Kim Comerford