

**Ministry Team: Youth Connections Ministry Team**

**Meeting Date: April 8, 2013**

**ATTENDEES:**

**Julie Doerfler  
Ellen Evensen  
Barbara Hoyer  
Valerie Kent  
Kris Sather  
Rick Sather  
Pastor Bryan Schmidt**

**Excused:**

**John Dougherty**

Items that may require council action:

- none

Items that may require budget/finance coordination:

- none

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

- **2014 Summer Musical Task Force – plan to follow up in May meeting**

Ministry team minutes:

- **We reviewed our annual goals** as part of our plan to check these once a quarter. We made not adjustments and agreed to continue our development plans for High School Ministries, Youth Led Activities, Parent Support, and Adult Connections
- **Julie provided an update on Youth activities:**
  - 25 youth are committed to attending the mission trip this summer. Many fundraising activities have occurred through the beginning of the year and are scheduled through April
  - Faith and Fellowship – strong participation at almost all events; planning to continue activities this summer
  - reFUEL Wednesday – good participation and grew during Unbinding Your Heart and even met during Easter break
  - reFUEL Sunday – good downtown participation; North Site struggled with participation – a space is needed for high school youth; adult leader rotation worked well
  - Seraphim – a great year with very committed youth, an excellent trip; end of year party on April 17 with a farewell to seniors
  - Upcoming events:
    - “An evening of music” – May 28 or 30
    - Senior Sunday – June 2<sup>nd</sup>
      - **We had a great discussion on the role the Youth Connection Ministry team to sponsor this event and agreed to invite prayer partners, small group leaders and church council**
- We further developed ideas from our January meeting for Parent Support and Youth led activities:
  - **Parent Support:**
    - Look to recruit some parents of confirmation age youth to be leaders for planning speaker and social activities for parents and youth
      - Wednesday speakers, social events, attend Wednesday service, etc.
    - Develop workshop for parents of 3<sup>rd</sup> graders before bibles are handed out in September
  - **Youth led activities:**
    - Drama team – search for an adult leader who will be interested in leading this area
    - Connect with Joe Hujet to develop a high school music team during the summer; plan to ask high school music team to play role in services starting this fall
    - Worship assistant opportunity – search for a worship assistant who would be interested in developing a program for youth worship assistants.

- Follow up items:
  - Chaperone Policy – Ellen
  - Prayer partner status – Rick to follow up on transition from “silent” to “connected”
  - Social media policy for pictures / posting – Task Force
  - Solicit new Youth Connections ministry team members – All
  
- Next meeting – May 14 at 6:30 pm downtown

Submitted by: Rick Sather