

Ministry Team: Youth Connections Ministry Team
Meeting Date: October 8, 2013

ATTENDEES:

Julie Doerfler
Barbara Hoyer
Kirsten Owens
Kris Sather
Rick Sather
Pastor Bryan Schmidt

Excused:

John Dougherty
Ellen Evensen
Valerie Kent
Melissa Heins

Items that may require council action:

- We are thinking we need a bus?

Items that may require budget/finance coordination:

- See separate request communication requested budget increase to support summer confirmation camp in 2014

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

- none

Ministry team minutes:

- Reviewed YTD spending for Family and Youth Ministry team
- Reviewed updated 2014 budget spending proposal.
- Julie provided a brief update on youth activities.
 - Planning a trip to Lutheran Church of Great Spirit in Milwaukee on November 24
- Pastor Bryan reviewed the August 21st Youth programming brainstorming session. The main focus for this session was how to become more relational and invitational. For your next meeting, Pastor Bryan will summarize the brainstorming list and we'll review and determine how to tie this into our goals for 2014
- Focus area ideas/discussion:
 - Parent Support:
 - Agreed to plan on Wednesday Parent activity during this confirmation year with a speaker on a relevant topic such as parenting teenagers - **Julie and Kirsten**
 - Youth led activities:
 - Worship assistant opportunity for high school youth – **Rick** will connect with worship assistants to develop this further (include acolyte relationship building)
 - Future activities:
 - Drama team idea –search for an adult leader who will be interested in leading this area
 - Workshop for parents of 3rd graders before bibles are handed out in September

Other follow up:

- Chaperone Policy – **Ellen** to finalize based on input from team
- Social media policy for pictures / posting – **Ellen** to send Rick sample and we will develop draft for the Ministry team and staff to review – request task force to complete
- North Site space planning (overall education space / Youth room)- **Rick** to follow up with support ministry
- Plan to meet with Youth – Fall and Spring each year

Meeting Schedule:

- November 19 – 6:30 pm at the North Site
- December 17 – 6:30 pm at the North Site

Submitted by: Rick Sather

High School Youth Ideas from October 9 Wednesday LIFT meeting:

- Give more opportunities for youth to participate in Church activities – e.g. recent example for Advent devotions
- Put together a video to show what reFUEL is like – continue to invite people to attend refuel
- Plan a 9th graders night/connection to reFUEL - invite each small group team to attend one night
- Restart high school skits as part of Wednesday service
- Buy a bus
- Include a fellowship activity on some Wednesday reFUEL nights
- North site hang out or lock in – invite others to attend
- Look for concerts to attend
- Question at start of reFUEL
- Share faith story