

FELC Ministry Team Minutes

Ministry Team: Learning
Meeting Date: April 14, 2015
Attendees: Angella Hoffman, Deanna Sanders, Becky Stellmacher,
Gerry Edinger, Pastor Bryan

Excused: Donna Haberland, Zay Lenaburg, Brenda Castillo

Items that may require council action: none

Items that may require budget/finance coordination TO BE PRESENT TO SUPPORT
MINISTRY TEAM before being presented to the Council: none

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

Ministry Team Minutes:

Items of discussion:

- 1) Existing Task Forces
None
- 2) New Task Forces Envisioned
As included in March minutes - Would like to create a task force to review current state and what else is out there for Sunday School. Also, what things do we want students to know and learn as they go through Sunday School into Confirmation
- 3) Items for Discussion
 - a) Child Safety/Security Policies
 - Brenda ordered a package from FELC's insurance company.
 - Will discuss at next month meeting when information arrives.

- b) Review SS Curriculum
 - Discussed current SPARK and CONNECT curriculum – needs more discussion in upcoming meetings based on direction of Sunday School.
 - Brainstormed ideas on changes to the Sunday School program.
 - Offer more flexible format – Summer program, trimesters – more discussion needed.
 - Discussed the need to determine what base knowledge should children know by Confirmation.
 - Want to find a way to get information to parents/families that will be read.
 - Discussed ways Interns could help the Sunday School program.
- c) Volunteers needed for the church picnic in May.
 - Will contact Margaret Zweig for what is still needed and if and how the Learning Ministry team can help.
- d) FELC facility projects.
 - Reviewed list of projects needed to repair several different areas of the church.
 - Nothing directly impacts the Learning Team.
 - Did not discuss prioritization of listed projects.
- e) Church relevancy.
 - Accessibility via technology to families.
 - Put ourselves out there online and social media.
 - Facebook page for Sunday School
 - Twitter
 - Students should have more familiarity with worship.
 - Suggestion to use the N.S. church sanctuary between services for groups.
- f) Next month tasks.
 - Child Safety/Security.
 - Think of 4 goals that we want to accomplish as a team. What do we want to explore for 2015-16?
 - Think about how we put ideas into action.
 - Do ourselves as much as we can?
 - Recruit volunteers?

Term Ends: Zay Lenaburg (Sept. 2016), Deanna Sanders (Sept. 2016), Becky Stellmacher (Jan. 2017), Brenda Castillo (Mar. 2017)

Council Representative: Gerry Edinger

