

Religious Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Sunday, October 5, 2014

- Meeting opened at 12:00pm. In attendance: Michael Pohl (chair); Morgan Gresham (secretary); Dolores Benjamin (treasurer); Beate Hughes-Brown; Meredith Keith-Chirch; Lisa Hill. Instructors Christina Sisson and Joe Benjamin present for first part of meeting.
- Meredith moved to approve September 7 minutes. Beate seconded. All approved.
- Action item status
 - **Dolores** will write a thank-you note to folks who really made the upstairs so clean and ready.
 - Done.
 - **Christina** will send Michael a bio / write-up for the website.
 - Not done.
 - **Michael** will update the website with bio from Christina.
 - Not done.
 - **Michael** will send Christina information on upcoming services.
 - Done.
 - **Michael** will send Christina information on Times for All Ages / Wonder Box.
 - Done.
 - **Michael** will see about bringing in Jamkar to lead meditation for the kids.
 - Done.
- New business
 - Program scheduling
 - Christina requested reducing load to two Sundays a month and not participating in curricular research. Jamkar to fill one Sunday a month with meditation instruction. Beate to pursue yoga instructor to fill one Sunday a month. Any remaining Sundays may be filled with environmental project (w/Green Sanctuary Committee); beautification project (w/Buildings & Grounds Committee); or social action project (w/Social Justice Committee). Beate drafted a rough schedule through December.
 - Dolores moved to accept the above-captioned program schedule, including reducing Christina's teaching load to two Sundays a month. Meredith seconded. All approved.
 - **Action: Michael** will clarify RE's budget and payroll with the church treasurer and BOT.
 - **Action: Beate** will look into a yoga instructor for the kids.
 - **Action: Beate** will email the draft RE program schedule to the committee.
 - Treasurer report

- **Action: Michael** will contact Sally about correct numbers for Shancar Publications expenses.
 - **Action: Michael** will ask Program Council for clarification on committees paying for child care.
 - **Action: Dolores** will meet with Sally about how numbers for budgets/in-kind/expenses are recorded (going in; going out).
 - Meet and Greet Breakfast
 - Moved to December 7 at 9:45am. Will hold upstairs and invite everyone. Need to update bulletin boards prior to meet and greet.
 - **Action: Beate** will update RE bulletin boards with RE kids on October 12.
 - **Action: Morgan** will submit a writeup to pubs@uustpete.org about the Meet and Greet Breakfast.
 - **Action: Meredith** will advise on food options for the Meet and Greet Breakfast.
 - Pumpkin Fun!
 - October 26 after service. Invite everyone. Bring Your Own Pumpkin, with extras to be provided for visitors.
 - **Action: Michael** will talk with Travis and Program Council about setup for the pumpkin carving in Gilmour.
 - **Action: Michael and Morgan** will coordinate materials for the pumpkin carving with other committee members.
 - **Action: Meredith** will head up snacks for the pumpkin carving.
 - **Action: Michael** will submit a writeup to pubs@uustpete.org about the pumpkin carving.
 - **Action: Morgan** will research bobbing for apples and hygienic alternatives thereto.
 - Intergenerational service update
 - Michael and Morgan updated the committee on the November 2 Intergenerational worship service.
 - **Action: Michael and Morgan** will meet with Jack on October 7 about the Intergenerational Service.
 - **Action: Michael** will send details about the November 2 Intergenerational Service to the committee.
 - Curricula research
 - Reviewed spreadsheet outlining various Tapestry of Faith curricula. Lisa and Meredith advised on curricula at their former churches.
 - **Action: Lisa and Michael** will touch bases on approaches to multi-age, small-program curricula.
 - Sharing RE responsibilities
 - Tabled until next meeting.
- Action item review
- Meeting adjourned at 1:40pm.

Minutes approved November 2, 2014