

## Administrative Council Meeting

Date: 05/15/2019 Time: 8:00 PM

### Attendees:

Dawn Thomsen, VirLyn Hoff, Mary Lee Nielson, Avis Richter, Pastor Dayne Zachrison, Justin Horsager, Don Enger, Lloyd Miller, Anita Tulp

Mary Lee called the meeting to order in Rob's absence. She asked Pastor Dayne to offer a devotion for us.

She called for any additions or corrections to the minutes from last month. If not, they stand as approved.

Minutes were approved.

Finance—Avis reported that last year we were at 78% of giving and right now we are at 77%. She said we will need to watch this closely and if things continue to decline, we may have to make some budget cuts. Avis discussed the finance team's decision to suspend the equalized giving to Trustees for the summer so that she can continue to keep bills paid during the summer months of lower giving.

Lay Member to Conference—Dayne said Rydel Samuelson is interested in going to Annual Conference and that we would need to elect him here. We also have one other spot open. Don moved to elect Rydel as a lay member to the 2019 Annual Conference. Dawn seconded. Motion carried.

### **Radical Hospitality**

Trustees—Don reported that they had a small group tonight so there was not much for discussion.

Coffee Kiosk—Dawn said things are going well. She commented that all of her staff but one will be gone for the summer. She has hired new people yet there are some schedule conflicts to work out yet. She added that they are in the process of getting a permanent lighted sign for the coffee kiosk.

Hospitality Coordinator—Pastor Dayne commented that we need someone to fill this role so will be advertising in the bulletin and newsletter.

### **Spiritual Growth**

Worship—Pastor Dayne showed us a communion tray that was hand-made by Al Goehring of Wimbledon, ND. It is designed for the little cups of juice to fit into and will be used for serving the pianist, organist, and mobility challenged. We need to send Al a thank you note for this wonderful gift.

Christian Ed.—Dawn reported that we had confirmation Sunday. The kids sang for Mother's Day, and she is now getting geared up for VBS! The last day of Sunday School is this Sunday! Then we are on summer break!

Youth—Pastor Dayne said that there are 8 youth and 4 adults from Epworth that are going on the Youth 19 Event and Mission Trip to Kansas City in early July.

Young Adult—Pastor Dayne said *The Vine* is finished for the year and that they will need to evaluate how to proceed next fall since they are losing 3 key people.

### **Signature Ministries**

Open Table—This month, we will serve Open Table and the VBS crew together so we are expecting 100 or more people.

Matthew 25—

Bridges Backpack Ministry—Pastor Dayne said they found a coordinator for this summer. A hot lunch will be served during the summer in the VCHS dining hall. The program is paying a college student to be present every day. They are still looking for 2 volunteers each day from each supporting entity.

We Love Washington School—We plan to evaluate the school schedule and look for something we could do each month for this ministry. Here is an example. See schedule.

Missions—

Faith Communities Alive—

UMW—

UMM—

Endowment—

**Collaborative Leadership**

Staff/Parish—Mary Lee commented that the Staff/Parish team needs to do Pastor Dayne's evaluation.

Congregational Care—

Nominations—

Ministry Support—

Pastoral Leadership—

New Business

The May meeting was quickly adjourned due to a severe storm coming. All were encouraged to head home.

Our next regular meeting will be on August 21, 2019 at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

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