

Administrative Council Meeting

Date: 09/18/2019 Time: 8:00 PM

Attendees:

Curt Van Dyke, Dawn Thomsen, Pastor Dayne Zachrison, Rydel Samuelson, VirLyn Hoff, Jeane Lang, Justin Horsager, Anita Tulp

Curt called the meeting to order in Rob's absence and asked Pastor Dayne to open with prayer. Pastor Dayne offered a prayer for our meeting.

Curt called for the reading of the minutes from the August meeting and asked for additions or corrections to the minutes. Justin moved to approve the minutes as read and Dawn seconded. Motion carried.

Finance—Curt said we are at 79% of giving right now. Avis is being careful about paying bills and is using September giving to pay August bills. Curt and Matt will give a presentation on Sunday, Sept. 29th. Curt will also write a news article for the newsletter and Finance plans to meet with Endowment soon.

Lay Member to Conference—none

Radical Hospitality

Trustees—none

Coffee Kiosk—Dawn said the kiosk is doing well. They had a great week last week and they are back to normal this week. She said they see new faces every day. Bread items go very well. Rydel mentioned that it is talked about during classes and around the campus. The sign is still making a difference. The Trustees also fixed the light above the door. Yeah!

Hospitality Coordinator—Pastor Dayne said that he had connected with a coach from Legacy in Bismarck and will be working with them to plan some training and possibly a visit to Legacy. Bev and Anita came up with an idea to put together gift bags for new members.

Spiritual Growth

Worship—Pastor Dayne talked about the new bread being used for communion. It is like a big bread stick and we just cut them into slices. He said it is working very well.

Christian Ed.—Dawn reported that we had 2 official Sundays of Sunday School classes so far and have had over 50 each Sunday. She has seen a couple of new families. She showed us the new VBS book and we are listed in there as a VBS Training Site. She needs a few volunteers for that day yet.

Youth—Rydel said he had 12 youth tonight. Rydel bought treats as a reward for doing so well for their presentation last Sunday. Alyssa has been bringing friends along to youth group and they are enjoying it. They are having fun and things are going well.

Young Adult—Rydel said the meeting time is at 7:00 pm again with no supper. That times seems to work the best for the group now.

Signature Ministries

Open Table—

Matthew 25—

Bridges Backpack Ministry—Epworth is doing backpacks this month. They are giving out quite a few. Families are starting to count on this so forms are coming in earlier.

We Love Washington School—We plan to serve the evening meal for the staff on Nov. 4th during Parent/Teacher conferences.

Missions—none

Faith Communities Alive—The group is not meeting yet.

UMW—VirLyn reported that 3 women went to Dickinson for the UMW District Meeting. We had a Unit Meeting with a police woman for our speaker. Circles meet tomorrow. Circle of Faith plans to go hear a speaker on Social Justice being held at the BC Museum. Bazaar time is coming fast!

UMM— Pastor Dayne reported that there were 15 men at the Men's Breakfast.

Endowment—None

Collaborative Leadership

Memorial Committee—New entry chairs, new parament sets, and new candles were purchased by the Memorial Committee

Staff/Parish—Will be meeting on Tuesday.

Congregational Care—VirLyn reported that she serve about 30 at tonight's Church Family Supper. Dwayne made lasagna for the meal. VirLyn said she is working on hearing assistance materials. She has replaced some parts. People are using them more now. She delivered Upper Rooms and did some visiting.

Nominations—none.

Ministry Support—Anita reported that things are going well.

Pastoral Leadership—Pastor Dayne showed us a presentation about the structure of the church and what it might look like in the future. History from the 80's—2013 included an administrative council with a total of 30 members. Committees equaled another 73 members. MCCI created our vision and proposed a new structure of a Servant Leadership Team that consists of 9 members and 3 officers that would take the place of the current Administrative Council and Committees. It will be proposed to the Ad Council on October 23rd and will be voted on during our Charge Conference on October 27th. The Book of Discipline calls for at least 4 women or 4 men.

New Business—none

With no further business, Dawn moved to adjourn. Justin seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

Our next regular meeting will be on October 23, 2019 at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Anita Tulp, Epworth Office Administrator