RE Council Meeting Draft April 23, 2017 Minutes

Attendees: Geri Knoebel, Callie Cone, Stirling Crow, Desiree Spielman

Administrative Agenda

March 2017 minutes approved – Discussion indicated that in the agenda and materials package it is difficult to tell what are minutes and what are meeting materials. Decided that minutes will be italicized.

Geri Knoebel, Chair Report

• Senior Minister Search Process: The Ministerial Search Committee has recommended Rev. Angela Herrera to be our candidate as our next Senior Minister. The April 20th Special Messenger is devoted to the Senior Minister search.

  The next activities are the Candidating Week from April 30th to May 7th. There will be a variety of forums to interact with Angela and her visions for the church. On Saturday, May 6th from 10:00 am to noon, Angela will be meeting with RE families, volunteers, Mid-High and LaAmikoj. The Special Congregation meeting is May 7th 2PM to call Angela as our senior minister.

• Childcare Manual: Mia, Alana and I finalized the revision to the Childcare Manual. This was in preparation for the next First Aid class for childcare staff, which is in the process of being scheduled.

Mia Noren, RE DRE Report

1. The Easter morning can hunt was a big success. We donated approximately 190 cans of food to the food pantry.
2. Guest at Your Table wrapped up this month. We don’t have a final count yet, as we are allowing a couple of weeks for folks who forgot their boxes to continue to bring them in, but so far we are over $1200.00
3. I held a lunch for OWL facilitators at O’Neill’s Pub in Nob Hill. It was well attended and a good time was had by all.
4. I am planning to hold a lunch for youth advisors- dates are Sunday May 30 or Sunday June 11. I haven’t heard back from everyone yet.
5. Meghan, Meara and I are working on the Coming of Age Service, for Sunday April 23 (today!)
6. Bridging Con happened, although I’ve had no feedback yet. Angela & I (& Susan) working on Bridging service May 21
7. Planning for the summer is underway. The elementary kids will be doing essentially the same program, but I think I want to separate the PK-2 from the 3-5, so that the youngest and oldest kids get the most out of it that they can. Am working with returning member Lin McNickel on a program for youth, and a music program based on protest songs for multigen youth through adults with Susan. Portfolio Reports.
Carol Cowan, Curriculum: All of the evaluation forms (Benita's portfolio) are currently being reviewed by Mia and Angela.

Callie Cone, OWL
All OWL classes are completed. Mia and I have to get together for an evaluation of this year’s program. Mia is working with Angela on evaluation questions for parents and such on this and other programs. H.S. OWL was cancelled this year. We are looking forward to offering it next year when the 9th graders who wanted to take it will be old enough.

Desiree, Community Events and Update on Camping:
• We had the spaghetti lunch and it went very well. Proceeds went to the camp fund. We were able to raise enough for one camper to go!
• On May 7th before the congregational meeting, we will have a summer cook-out and a sign-up. We want people to stay and eat before the congregational meeting.
• On June 3rd we will put together a silent auction for camp. There will be a taco bar here in the social hall. Maybe Stirling could sing some camp songs? Hours are still not set yet.
• And once pool is open Desiree will be signing our group up.

Congregation Record RE-related Section
• Geri led a discussion of the Re-related section of the Congregation Record. Sections included: Strategic Plan and RE, Children and Youth, RE Council and participation in the search process, OWL, Registration and attendance numbers, Significant RE events, Mid-high and youth participation in search process. Clarification needs to be made in regards to leadership and budgeting for the UU Kids Camp.

Upcoming Dates

2017 RE Council Meeting Dates
• May 21st
• June 18th
• July 16th
• August 20th
• September 17th
• October 15th
• November 19th
• December 17th
• January 2018 no meeting

Future Dates
• Sunday, April 23rd - Coming of Age Service
• Sunday, April 30th- tentative youth adviser lunch 12:30 at O’Niells
• Saturday, May 6 from 10:00 am to noon, RE parents, volunteers, & youth to talk with Angela
• Sunday, May 7 - First Sunday RE Family Picnic (folks bring their own lunch, or buy from),
• Camp Fundraising lunch in courtyard
• Pizza Sermon for youth (after services) & young adults
• Congregational Meeting at 2 PM.,
• Sunday, May 14 - Last day all RE classes, start in the Sanctuary
• Sunday, May 14 – Sustainability Fair
• Saturday, May 20 -RE Families and Volunteers Annual BBQ & Activities (from 5 to 8p)
• Sunday, May 21 - Mini-camp (rising 3rd graders to high school), bridging is also happening.
• Sunday, May 28 - (Memorial Day Weekend) Teacher Holiday- need floaters!
• Sunday, May 28- Children’s Chapel with Rev. Christine Robinson
• Saturday, June 3 – Silent Auction and taco dinner in Social Hall
• Sunday, June 4 - Field Day- need volunteers!
• Sunday, June 11 - Summer RE Begins, Worship in the Wilderness
• Sunday, July 2- Teacher Holiday
• Sunday, July 23- children & youth leave for UU Kid’s Camp
• August 6th - Teacher training, first day of Youth RE
• August 13th - First day elementary classes start in Sanctuary with Teacher Litany delivered by Angela