

VISION COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 17, 2015

Attendees: Jerry Asperheim, Bob Hill, Pr. Tim, Pr. Dave, Jay Kreft, Rosie L-Kemp, Rachael Nyenhuis, Patty Altonen. Absent: Joyce Dohlin, Marge Kangas, Steve Ring.

Next Meetings: JULY 23, 6:30 pm Rosie
AUGUST 17, 6:30 pm Steve
SEPTEMBER 17, 6:30 pm

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT – Patty – Questions about tragedy, faith, endurance, siversmiths, God & Peace.

APPROVAL of May 18, 2015 minutes.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & BUDGET REVIEW by Pr. Tim.

The constitution section C12.05,c, deals with expenditure of funds in 3 main categories: general, special & endowment. 2015 budget receipts & disbursements start on page 14 of annual report. We reviewed the 2015 proposed budget found in the annual report on pages 22-24.

Pr. Tim reviewed how to read the Monthly Treasurers Report. We found an error in the May report & will get a revised version. We will go over the monthly reports at every future meeting.

“GOOD SOIL” campaign, which ended May 31, went well. The “time side” was responded to very well. Around \$7500 was contributed.

SUMMER WORSHIP – 'SPIRIT SONG'. The first Wednesday night service in the woods was on June 10. All the benches were occupied & the service was up-lifting.

VISION COUNCIL RETREAT – JULY 22 – time change from 9am-1pm to 10am-2pm. It will take place on Rosie's deck. The planning committee has proposed 3 areas to bring us closer together: relationship development, learning time & spiritual development. Members are asked to pick your favorite options in each category. (see your email from May 28)

COMMUNICATING WITH CONGREGATION. There have been some questions about what is happening beyond the newsletter information. Could this be done on a regular bases by the Finance Committee? Or Vision Council? Jerry porposed a name: “I like it here!”

REPORTS:

Reaching Out: 1) Members were asked to regularly review the “Doers to Mentors” outline to look for God's people on the threshold of engagement. 2) Flat Panel TV for Gathering space discussed. Many possible uses: information, photos of recent events, funerals, overflow. The Endowment Fund may be asked for funds to purchase. 3) Sign committee update from Jon Hendrickson. Because of city permitting regulations, it will be downsized from plan we approved. It will be 7 feet high & 11 feet wide & may be two- sided for visibility from the north & south on 45 Ave. East. May be done in Fall.

Experiencing God: Rummage Sale took place June 12 & 13. Two families were invited to come to pick out items needed to set up their homes. The unsold items were donated to several agencies for reuse.

Nuturing Faith: Ending reports on Confirmation, Sunday School, 1st Communion, Graduation.

The church Camp Out was attended by 70 people- up from 50. VBS had to close registration at 120 students for the safety of all. The National Youth Gathering taking place in Detroit in July. Katy will be back from maternity leave on July 12.

Resource Development did not meet.

Endowment Fund report from Jerry: Located in annual report on page 42. Funding requests are granted in 3 main areas only: 1) mission outreach, 2) scholarships & 3) congregational development. \$6200 has been granted so far this year.

MEETING IS ADJOURNED WITH PRAYER.

Minutes by Patty Altonen