

Ministries Council

February 19, 2014

Present: Kelley Warbinton, Jeanie Sanders, Pat Thorlton, Eric Galloway, Peter Howe, Lydia Shaw, Sarah Dutkevitch, Darren Cushman Wood, Dan Mathis

What is Ministries Council? – Eric

- Have we accomplished the goals of the Long Range Plan?
 - We have revitalized the MC
 - A lot of synergy in this group that wasn't there before
 - Tools to measure effectiveness?
 - We have worked with the finance committee and worked with BoD, etc
 - Communicate to the LR committee or congregation that MC has been revitalized (**Eric will share this with Todd**)
- Is this a functional body serving a good role at NUMC?
 - More helpful than past Councils
 - Voting for HJR-3 is a good example of our functionality
 - Better communication among other groups
 - The more people who know what's going on, the better others in the congregation know

Mardi Gras (March 4) – Peter

- The Groves have it totally together
- Moment for Mission set

Mission Possible Families – Peter

- Add to March meeting
- Children's Council decided Sojourner's shouldn't be the only ones cleaning the church the Saturday before Easter
- Invite North Church Families to clean, too – April 19

Farmers Market – Lydia

- Joel O'Neil would like to move out of the supervising position – he's willing to mentor someone into the position.
- Make it a paid position?
- Match WIC dollars so buying power of neighbors is high, but vendors go down each year and we don't have enough paying customers.
- Need someone to develop relationship with the vendors – ongoing email, not necessarily on site – 10 months out of the year
- **Need help, ideas, person**
- Try one more year or it may be done
- Communicate to the congregation – this is a mission of the church that we all need to be part of for it to continue
- Rita – marketing?
- Do we need a FM committee? Vendor relations, marketing, sales, set up, etc. – **Lydia put together roles list?**
- Who uses the FM from our church? Sanders, Galloways

Spirit and Place – Eric

- Applications due March 7, 500 word essay
- Topic: Journey
- Coordinator? At-Large member of MC? Rita?
- Next meeting: start discussing the topic for 2015, Dream
- Pair up with a partnering group

Programming Coordination – Sarah

- Overlapping programming – will people come back?
- Is it okay to have more than one thing going on? Are we targeting the same people?
- Earlier notifications of book studies?
- Have MC proof Fall/Spring booklets?

Membership-building Programming -

The Darren Report

Next Meeting (March 12)

Items and Announcements

Closing Prayer