

WEC Meeting 5 November 2015

Present: Barbara Bartlett, Pru Schuler, Polly Forcier. Richard Schramm, Rick & Kathy Fiske, Joanna Garbisch

Absent: Shoshana Belisle, Naomi Malik,

2. Meeting Objectives

Continue focus so that everyone on committee can feel engaged in an initiative of interest.

3. Sharing progress on Initiatives

VISITORS HANDOUT – Kathy presented a mock up of a new 2-fold handout with basic Church information which she and Pru have put together for approval by the committee. Suggestions were requested before presenting it to Geraldine to format copy.

Action: Committee members to review and submit recommendations to Kathy by Sunday for final wording based on changes discussed in the meeting.

ENGAGEMENT IDEAS - have been postponed until Shoshana and Naomi can attend.

Action: Rick to talk with them and see if there is a better time for their schedules in order to attend meetings.

COFFEE HOUR REVIEW – Pru reported on shortage of food at last Sunday Service but the idea of asking the congregation to contribute is one that is getting started. Round table with chairs had some interest but also needs time.

Action: Continue with present plan but it still needs to be encouraged in Order of Service and the weekly In Touch. Pru to follow up with Geraldine.

SOCIAL HALL AESTHETICS – (Including COMMUNICATIONS BULLETIN BOARD) - Polly looked into stenciling in social hall but was asked to put that on hold, B&G wants to keep it simple for now. Rick suggested photograph of committee members be included on the board so people can recognize appropriate committee contacts.

Action: Barbara will oversee purchase and installation of board and interface with Deb Rice on the Communications Committee on maintenance of 4'x8' board once it is in place. Rick to assist to pick up board in Lebanon with his SUV.

AFTER SERVICE DISCUSSIONS - Richard will continue with Amazing Grays and also lead a “Round Table Discussion” about once a month set

up at Coffee Hour on issues raised in the service such as Aging from upcoming talk in the Nov 29th service by Dr. Dennis McCullough.

Action: Richard will see how the idea evolves and report back to the committee.

4. New Initiatives/Ideas

NEW MEMBER SURVEY – Sherry asked if WEC could develop a survey for new members. Committee decided an in person interview would be more useful.

Action: Barbara will follow up with Sherry.

IDEAS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION – An easel for the front foyer at weekly service for announcement of upcoming events was suggested.

Action: Barbara will follow up with Deb Rice to see if her committee would be interested in taking this on.

WELCOMING GREETER ON SUNDAYS – Rick and Kathy after visiting other UU congregations suggested a Greeter be in the foyer to welcome and encourage use of nametags, in addition to the Membership Committee member who hands out Order of Service.

Action: Rick will try this for month of November. Barbara will let Sherry know and Pru will ask Ann to review nametags and remove those not in use.

SIGNAGE BY GERALDINE'S OFFICE – More information is needed within the building when entering the outside office door to know Geraldine's office hours as well as other areas within the building. This topic requires input from Building and Grounds Committee.

Action: Pru and Polly to walk through building with Gina Auriema and make proposals for new signage.

Next Meeting, Thursday 3 December 2015