

Shepherd of the Hills

Minutes: Church Council Meeting - April 15, 2008

Attendees: Pr. Katie, Laurie H., Carol S., Connie T., Candy S., Johanna R., Gust. H., Sam A.

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Handouts: Finance Reports, Pastor's Report, Time and Talent Survey FAQ, Volunteer Glossary

1. Devotional - Pastor Katie

- * Time & Talents Survey. Time & Talent Survey Frequently Asked Questions and "God's Work, Our Hands - A Volunteer Glossary" handed out and discussed.
- "Other" gifts to offer. Worship committee - take on training and supervision of jobs.
- * Pastor's Report presented

2. Minutes from March 25

- * Changes for Children's Ministry report.
 - Jeanne K. is a teacher candidate for youngest group (current teacher -> Catherine G).
 - Need candidate for Middle youth group to replace Johanna.
- * M/S/P

3. Treasurer's Report - Laurie

- * Budget report. Figures explained.
- * Memorial Fund/Trivent. Where money from? Church mergers, sale from donated home. Withdrawal and use history explained. Finance committee working on reconfiguring investments.
- * Copier status. Lease signed a couple weeks ago - 5 years. Negotiated cost -> \$306/month. Color -> \$.07 per copy.

4. Music Director

- * Jim S. resigning, effective May 11th. Executive meeting held to discuss.
- * Search committee: Steve H. (Chair), June Hopkirk, Jay Hines-Shah, Herb Anderson, Gretchen (?), and Choir members -- Tony M., Evie R., Sandra S.
 - + First meeting last Sunday.
 - + AGO - American Guild of Organists - job submission
 - + Job description to include working with children's choir on seasonal basis - preferred.
 - + List of potential substitute organists or pianists created; have leads for summer already

5. Committee Reports

- * Building & Grounds
 - + Second bid for chair lift - no takers for non-residential lift. One vendor recommended the company that gave us first bid.
 - + Landscape/Planting? Fence? Should be finished soon and ready for landscaper.
- * Social Concerns
 - + Rebuilding Together - April 25; Many SOTH volunteers.
- * Adult Ed
 - + Presentations on volunteering for next couple of weeks; Girl scouts Earth Day & SOTH Rebuilding Together.
- * House and Events
 - + Picnic -> June 1st. Tilden. More details to come. Potluck. Help needed setup, during, cleanup.
- * Children's Ministry
 - + Youth Sunday - June 1st. Planning phase. Children participating in workshop.
 - + Summer Day Camp - 12 registered and payed. July 14 -18. Slots filling up, limited to 30.
- * Welcoming Committee
 - + Solano stroll
- * Worship Committee
 - + working on committee plan; April 30th meeting

7. Council Retreat & Next Meeting

- * Retreat - May 17; Pr. Katie working on program.
- * Next Council Meeting - agreed upon day of month -> 3rd Tuesday of each Month; Tuesday, May 20th 7:30pm

6. 2010 celebration for our 50th

- * What day will it be? (Connie). Needs research. Anything in Church archives?
- * We celebrated 40th (Gust.)

New Business

- * Coffee Hour/Rear Church Area Discussion
 - + Coffee Hour area crowded & congested (Gust H.)
 - + Need to revisit rear area configuration, too cluttered. (Laurie H.)
 - + Tables? Too many? Two Couches?
 - + Coffee Hour downstairs (Pr. Katie)
 - + House committee project? Discuss with Dee Hughes (Coffee hour lead)
 - + Have summer to think of solutions.....
- * Second Service Discussion
 - + Cheap solution to coffee hour/rear church crowdedness issues
 - + experiences with second service described shared