

April 26, 2019

MC Agenda

Mission Council Members Present: G.C. Pundt, Karen Pearson, Donna Andreo, Bob Keck, Deb Marshall (Co-Sr. Warden), Rob Martin, Jim Lawler (Jr. Warden), Kimberly Norris-Jones

Ex Officio Members Present: Fr. Charles Smith, Vicar; Becky Keck, Treasurer

Evening Prayer commenced at 6PM and ended at 6:12

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:14 PM by Fr. Charles Smith

Prayer Requests The Mission Council and Vicar reviewed specific prayer requests and the MC and Vicar agreed to hold these people in prayer.

Leading God's People Chapter 3 Donna Andreo led a discussion on this chapter of Leading God's People written by Fr. Christopher Beeley. Jim Lawler agreed to lead chapter 4 for the May meeting.

Approval of Reports and Minutes Motion to approve made by Deb Marshall and seconded by Kimberly Norris-Jones. Motion unanimously carried.

Parish Events Scheduling (are we over programmed? Should we move to a single monthly parish life event?) Father Charles spoke about the pacing and spacing of events. He noted that we are going to try to focus on a single event per month for the parish and a single event for the ELC per month.

Update of Parish Admin and Dir of Music Searches

Ministry Area Check ins

Fr. Charles noted that the committees are not all functioning as designed and this is an issue that a number of people have mentioned to him that we would benefit from the committees working more regularly. Fr. Charles mentioned the idea of a committee night once a month to help with this. Karen Pearson, Donna Andreo, and Deb Marshall have agreed to help with this work. This small group will work towards a comprehensive listing of committees with committee chair persons along with some discernment around the most important ones to get going from a missional stand-point. They will report back to MC in May.

ELC-Bob Keck

Where are we on negotiating space use for the expanded nursery/4K classroom. This item has been completed

Christian Formation-Karen Pearson

VBS Planning

Planning towards 2019-2020 CF

Focus towards a Jr. Youth Group?

Focus on families and a monthly outing?

Stewardship-Stan Dellinger

In Stan's absence a discussion was had and there is a concern about progress in this area for the 2020 Stewardship drive. Deb Marshall has agreed to work with Stan to get a larger committee together.

Evangelism-Fr. Charles

Need to get together with Smythes and Elliotts who have expressed interest

Inreach/Outreach-Donna Andreo Carolyn McGay

Neighborhood groups are on hold until the committee can get with Sherwood Williams (Records staff member) on an accurate membership list.

Parish Life-Pie Sharpe

Father Charles to follow up with Pie to see what if any assistance she needs from the wider MC or parish.

Finance/Endowment-GC Pundt

Endowment has reviewed every expense that the MC has authorized from the endowment. There is a question about the \$500 allocated from endowment to assist ELC families who can not afford it with registration fees. The funds have been moved from the endowment spending account to the reserve account for this purpose. The recommendation is to move the funds back to the endowment spending account where it will remain available to assist ELC families who can not afford it with the registration fees. G C Pundt moves and Bob Keck seconds that the MC accept the endowment committee recommendation and it was unanimously agreed to.

Liturgy-Rob Martin

Karen Pearson suggested we do an Instructed Eucharist and Rob Martin agreed to help Fr. Charles with this.

Communication-Deb Marshall, Stan Dellinger, Kimberly Norris Jones

Strategic Planning Goal Review

1. Ministry Execution (Karen, Stan, GC)
 - a. Menu of Ministries
 - b. Plan for Ministry Opportunities
 - c. Ministry Discernment Process
2. Administration (Jim, Kimberly, John)
 - a. Security Plan
 - b. Physical Inventory
 - c. Monitor ministry workload
 - d. Metrics for ministry success
3. Communications (Carolyn, Donna, Pie)

- a. Welcome Packet for Ft. Jackson to include ELC and Parish
 - b. Comprehensive online presence to include FB, Twitter, YouTube, and website. MC agrees that these are an important thing for the parish too focus on to help drive traffic to the parish. Father Charles noted that there had been a complaint about the sermons being posted but he will keep recording this with his own camera and posting to his own personal website but is comfortable with the communications committee linking to the sermons.
 - c. Strengthening Neighborhood Groups
4. ELC Outreach/Grafting into the Vine of SMAA (Deb, Bob, Rob)
- a. MC notes that this area has been experiencing success and is better managed through evangelism.

Recommendations from the Finance Committee

Finance Committee is concerned about income receipts and pledge receipts through March 2019 are \$18,900 unfavorable to plan.. YTD 2019 we have collected circa \$12,000 less in income than we did in 2018.

Finance Committee asks for the Communications Committee to notify the congregation that the operating cash has not been paying for the remodeling that has been completed (Lobby, Case Room, Library, Handicapped Accessible Restrooms etc.) There is a concern that the congregation feels that there is a significant amount of excess cash that allows for these projects to happen.

Becky Keck, as treasurer, is going to do a detailed analysis of giving trends to see what might be driving this. Becky will review the report with Father Charles this week and we will work to follow up with parishioners who might need following up.

Finance Committee Recommends that the Mission Council offer two or more full scholarships to the Sewanee Church Music Conference in Summer 2019. Bob Keck moves that the Mission Council accept the recommendation. Deb Marshall Seconds.. Mission Council approves unanimously.

May MC Meeting moved to May 30 to avoid FC's vacation

June 7 ELC Graduation need MC members to attend and to also assist with cooking. ELC is taking care of food purchasing.

June 9th w/ Bp. Andrew

July MC July 25(FC Away for Anniversary)

MC Member Concerns

Deb Marshall noted that the Easter services were lovely. Deb wondered if the flowering cross might be better displayed.

Upcoming Dates

May 12 Choir Appreciation

FC Away and unreachable May 17-25

Sr. Appreciation Sunday June 2

Episcopal Visitation June 9 (Pentecost)

VBS June 10-14

FC Away Continuing Education June 10-22 (beginning D. Min through Gordon Conwell focus Evangelism)

Mission Trip to Boys' Home June 23-27

Dismissal