

Roseau Evangelical Covenant Church
Leadership Council Monthly Meeting

June 21, 2016

In Attendance: Rob Stroot, Nathan Acker, Pastor Steve Hoffer, Tony Fichter, Darrin Smedsmo, Todd Peterson, Jan Carr, Sheila Brinkman, Bryan Dickson

Call to Order: Jan Carr, Chair

Scriptural Introduction: Nathan Acker, Deacon Chair

May 31, 2016 Congregational Meeting Minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Pastor/Director Reports:

Pastor Steve Hoffer: Continuing with normal functions, and Sarah is doing great. Gone next week for a class down in the Cities. Bryan is speaking on July 3rd. Wednesday, August 31st, Roseau Covenant Church is planning a pot-luck at the City Park with a service and a river baptism...plans are still in the works. Will be looking for our whole church to get involved, either leading or participating, in the CBE (Christian Bible Experience). Deacons have agreed to help out with child-care on Sunday nights. Leadership Summit is August 11th and 12th at \$199/person in Grand Forks. Pastor Steve will send out a link to get more information.

Pastor Kecia Stroot: IGNITE started out with 9 new kids, which is good with the busy June schedules. The first Bluewater Mini-reunion will be this week. Family Fun game night was last night with 22 people attending. The family tubing in Red Lake Falls is coming up in July. Kecia gets ordained on Saturday in Arizona.

Bryan Dickson: FUEL started two weeks ago with 39 and then 31. This week will be lower with Bluewater and AIL. Focus has been on being a Survivor. June 29th is a lock-in for FUEL. In July there will be a CLUE event. Bonfire and MUUUCE coming up in August. Looking into making an App for our youth group to communicate better called Smart Church.

Board Reports:

Trustee Report: Rob Stroot, Chair

Fields were mowed. Maintenance is going fine. There have been 4 requests on borrowing our bus. Rob is going to talk to DOT to see if they have any regulations regarding lending out our bus other than making sure they have a DOT approved driver. Further discussion will follow.

Treasurer Report presented by Todd Peterson was reviewed and accepted. Super One has a new policy that we need a card, and the name has to be on the list to charge.

Deacon Board: Nathan Acker, Chair

Have developed a new mission statement, and would like to present it at the next meeting in August. Discussion followed. Todd made a motion to present the new mission statement in August and September with a vote at the September Congregational Meeting. Tony seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Christian Formation Board: Rachel Krahn, Chair (given by Pastor Kecia in Rachel's absence)

Did not get a very good response from teacher survey. Kecia and Rachel will get together to review and contact teachers regarding classroom dynamics, teacher experience, student response, curriculum, and opening exercises. Background checks and volunteer info have been scanned and saved on a flash drive to be kept in the locked cabinet along with the paper copies of the current year's information. Summer nursery ages have been changed to include 4 year-old children. April Ingold and Sarah Schmitiknecht are coordinators. VBS is Monday, July 25th – 28th, for ages 4 years old through 6th grade. Youth group kids will be handing out VBS postcards and walking behind a tractor with VBS signs during the Fair parade. VBS offering will be going toward buying animals (cow/goats) through Todd and Andrea Ellingson at City of Joy in Rwanda. Kids will be working towards Bryan, Kecia or Steve kissing a goat. Parents will be invited to a short program before closing on Thursday evening. A highlight video will be shown during worship on Sunday morning due to poor attendance on past Sunday mornings following VBS. Considering extending ages for Children's Church through 2nd grade. Some Bluewater camps are getting close to being closed.

Mission and Outreach Board: Darrin Smedsmo, Chair

Les Mitterling is in Alaska helping Jason. Dan, Coordinator, asked us to keep praying. They may send pictures that we could show. Olsens were here and ministry is moving forward. There will be a door offering this Sunday for LeTexiers. Possibly move Fall Fest to third Sunday in November rather than October. This would be the end of CBE.

Committee Reports:

Pastoral Search Committee: Tony Fichter, Chair

Not successful in finding a date when everyone can meet. May have to wait until after the fourth so that everyone can attend for at least the first meeting. Tony will call Mark Stromberg to find out if this is the same process as the previous search. Will need to do a profile and update information.

Other:

Security was bought it up at the last Ministerial meeting but no one in Roseau really has any policies in place. Will get a policy from another church just to review.

Next Meeting: *August 30, 2016 Leadership Council*

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila Brinkman