Little Church in the Pines

Steering Committee 2nd Quarter Meeting

May 21, 2023

Connie Funkhouser gave the opening prayer and called the meeting to order. There was no quorum present, since there were only four members plus Pastor Tom in attendance.

The following old business was discussed and all were in agreement:

* 2023 Summer posters and brochures were discussed, and it was decided to print 50 posters to hang in various businesses and the campgrounds. 500 brochures will be printed to have available to hand out.
* We discussed the addition of a contemporary campfire service on Sunday night and thought it might be the time people are leaving from the weekend. So, we will try incorporating a contemporary song during the service, plus continue praise music before the service.
* Suggestion was made that we NEED to recruit more volunteers.

New Business

A medical fund was set up by a community member for Kari Williams at the Bank of Idaho. It was agreed upon to contribute $1000 from the LCP.

Connie wanted to make us aware that Allen Gibbs did snow removal for Kelley Figg, which we offered to pay for, but he said he wanted to take care of that.

Regional Council needed a property assessment. Connie was able to arrange that with Jake Johnson, and he did it at no charge.

She received a suggestion from a member about maybe having a rotation of people preach in the summer. We asked Tom about vacations, which he says he hasn’t taken any, except a week ago to move. We encouraged him to take them.

Chair – Committee Reports:

Pastor Tom - Everything is going well. He will be taking vacation August 27 thorugh Labor Day weekend. He will miss the pancake breakfast which is scheduled for August 26. He would like to buy 3 ‘tarp-like’ canopies that are tied between trees, for shade. They are needed for the Sunday mornings as well as Friday picnics. The pop-up canopies are too fragile. We all agreed.

He would like sermon topic suggestions, and it was suggested he check the lectionary, and follow those. He said he likes topical sermons best, but would use the lectionary for the month of July.

Connie Funkhouser - she has updated the website, and turned in an invoice for that. Feels like things are running smoothly, but please bring forward any suggestions.

Secretary – Louise Neal - absent (Pam taking notes)

Finance – Greg Neal – absent

 Committee member – Neal Humphrey – absent

Membership – Pat Ritari – absent. She sent a note that she should be back the first week of July. Ursula Porter will spearhead the roadside cleanup in her absence.

Worship – Pam White - See above under old business (contemporary music).

 All ideas are welcome. She reported that there are just two churches coming up this summer to host.

Year-Round Programs – George Tway - George told us what a success movie night was, and perhaps trying one more before we’re deep into summer.

He will get all supplies, people, etc. organized for the barbecues. They will be held the 3rd Friday of the month at 5:30 pm.

Liberty Quartet will be here July 14th. A love offering will be taken. A meal for them following the concert will be organized. Decision on the meal---just for them or a potluck . We also discussed maybe taking a break from them for a year, then discuss options.

Building – Pastor Tom, Greg, George – a clean-up day will be organized.

Pastor Tom said a member would like to have Allen Gibbs put in a ‘planter’ around the sign out front and a small grove of quakies to the west of the church.

RCCM Liaison – Jan Brown - She reported that RCCM is very busy in their new venture. They were given an LDS church to be renovated and used to house the Foodbank, and some other community outreach organizations. See written report with these minutes in the book. She attend monthly meetings and they are very happy with our activities. She always encourages churches to visit LCP and host a Sunday if possible. (At this time we only have two churches visiting.)

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: Tentatively August 13, 2023 – 3rd Quarter Meeting