Winter Board Meeting: January 1, 2015-January 3, 2015

The meeting was held in Emma, MO at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

Opening Devotion led by Pastor Jacob Muller

11 members present- missing were Gabby Mitchell, Paul Schlake, and Brittany Jennett

Reports:

Executive-

Confirmed Kansas City, MO as the host training site for Summer Training from June 18-24.

Theme is Witness with the theme verse 1 John 1:2 or John 1:14.

Helped Jamie set up New Year’s when she called on November 12, 2014

Publicity- Christmas cards, Apologetics page on the website, working on videos

Business- Thank you’s to large gift donors and creating a schedule for the Executive Director.

Sandra suggested to send thank you letters to host families and attach a donation letter to the thank you as a reminder to the hosts to continue to support OAFC.

Conferences: District Pastors conference of the next year’s Summer Training Host Site.

Synodical- Small and Rural Town

LYF/NYG Conference this year.

Motion was made by Roger Schafer to accept the executive director’s report. 2nd by Jennifer Krupp.

Motion Carries.
New Year’s Gathering Report

20 people attended.
6 states represented.
Trained 1 adult leader and 1 new youth.
Collected a donation of about $260.00.

International Travel Team

Depart June 25th and return July 5th or 6th depending on flight times.
Lutheran Hour Ministries training 4 days, site seeing/witnessing 4 days.
Team of about 8 members.
Cost: $500 program fees/person - includes translators
   $500 in country fees
   $1700-$1800 airfare - could be lowered depending on reservation time
   =$2700 per person
Current Interest is 8-9 people
Will be led by Pastor Kirby and one other adult
He will work on generating an application with $500 due when application is turned in.
Team cost is 22,000.
Already paid $400 to reserve spot for the team to work with LHM.

Ministry Evaluation:

Exists:

Spread Gospel
Train people about Gospel
Invite youth and adults to spread Gospel
Invite people to church
“Training people to invite people to church”
Encourage/create faith growth
For post-confirmation youth
Lifelong involvement in faith
Church Worker and Vocation
Youth Fellowship
Lutheran Identity
Safe environment for faith growth locally and nationally

Because youth need a place.
Because we are called to share.
Because we need to teach The Faith.
Because Christians need to be built (up).
Help churches find out about local communities.
Youth may learn leadership.

Outcomes:
Grow the church
Within
Without
Remind the Church of the need to share the faith.
Plant Seeds (Gospel)
Cast Net into communities
With good and bad results.
Got and speak the Gospel (general) Law and Gospel (specific).
Encourage Faith
Train others to effectively share faith
Pray out loud
Bible study
Developing Spiritual Disciplines
Praise God
Modeling the faith
Disciple
Teach thankfulness and hospitality

Mission Statement:
Oafc provides a safe, nurturing community for youth and adults to grow in their faith by sharing
The Faith that the unchurched might be brought into the Church.

Commissioning:
Used to be way to get to summer training
Massive commissioning ceremony at the end of training:
Positive peer pressure
Permission forms—must have beforehand
Re-commissioning every year
Could be done at New Years

Set up requirements to attend summer training/be commissioned

Led ____ calls
Catechiz(ed/ing)
Know the methods
Age ____/permission from leader
Weekends attended ____

Motion made by Nathan Nehrt to accept proposed changes about commissioning/summer training
requirements as highlighted above in the minutes. 2nd Roger Schafer.

Motion carries.

Deficiencies
Publicity
Scheduling
Hosting
Culture/Priorities
Refilling/Discipling
Pastors
Structure

4 things you need to have a weekend. If you get rid of one you can’t have a weekend.

Pastor
Leader
Youth
Church

Synod Distrust
Parents
Communication/Resources
Proper Training not done
Devil

What do you do about it:

Structure

Maybe going back to using a 3 part structure to have a weekend

Pastor/Leader
Youth
Church

Alumni Advocates

Network and implementation

Publicity

National-Reporter (weekend invite and website)
Voice of Missouri Newspaper for Summer Training involvement and weekends
LWML Quarterly
Thrivent Action Teams

Motion was made by Pastor Kirby to put a 16th of a page, 1 time ran color advertisement in the Reporter, put together and sent in by Pastor Tassey. 2nd Pastor Mueller.

Motion carries.
Hosting:

Options: Hotels, College Dorms, Camp, Seminary, Church floor (lock-in), etc.

|___________$$$____________|       |_____free_____|

Summer Training:

Looked at the host site in Kansas City, MO.

Positions:

Handing out/setting t-shirts: Sandra Hernandez
Registration and check in: Rebecca Nehrt and Pastor Tassey
Collecting forms: Rebecca Nehrt and Pastor Tassey
Lead guitarist: Aaron Fosse
Lead Singer: Lauren Sperry
Master of Ceremonies: Collin Coats
Training secretary: Sandra Hernandez
Thank you cards: Jennifer Krupp (if job allows)
Youth orientation: Lauren Sperry and Pastor Muller
Dress code enforcer: Pastor Kirby
Clean up: Pastor Kirby/ all board members
Photos: Nathan Nehrt
Nomination Committee: Pastor Mueller, Pastor Kirby*, Collin Coats
Run to store: Ellen Griffin or Jennifer Krupp
Nurse/Mom: Rebecca Nehrt
Food coordinator: Jennifer Krupp and Rebecca Nehrt
Team Leaders:
  Team 1: Pastor Mueller
  Team 2: Roger Schafer
  Team 3: Bill and Jeanne Coats
  Traveling Team State Side: Pastor Tassey
  Traveling Team International: Pastor Kirby

Workshop Ideas:
  Digital Outreach- Pastor Kirby
  World Religions- Pastor Nehrt
  Homosexuality (Doctrine Do’s and Don’ts)-Pastor Tassey
  CUNE/Vocation- Chelsea from CUNE
  Commissioning
  Methods
    Canvassing- Pastor Mueller
    Puppets/Drama- Nathan Nehrt
    Bible Study- Roger Schafer
  Skype Conversations

Theme verse
Options: John 1:14, 1 John 1:2

John 1:14 was the verse decided on. The 1 John 1:2 verse can be used when teaching about theme.

Summer Training 2016

Dates: June 16-21, 23-29

Not July 9-20 because of NYG, Synod, and LWML

Where: Iowa East (QC area); Michigan; Wisconsin; Plano or Dallas Texas; Seward, NE; Colorado;

Theme ideas:

Fishing

Tongues of Fire: Acts 2

All people are loved by God and united: Psalm 98:1-3

Broken: Ephesians 2

Judged

Sola or Alone: Romans 1:17

Greatest of these is love: John 15

I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: John 14

Ransomed: Mark 10:45

Schedules:

FSSMT

RFSSM

SSMTW

SMTWR

Budget
Motion to raise the salary of the executive director by about 3% to $12,960.00 was made by Pastor Kirby. 2nd Jennifer Krupp.

Motion Carries.

Motion to approve budget as given by Rebecca Nehrt with the following changes: Salary $12,960.00, Board Meeting $1,000, Advertisement in the Reporter $450, New Laptop and Software $600, International Travel Team $1600, and Miscellaneous $1000. Bringing the total of the budget to $29,740. 2nd Jennifer Krupp.

Pastor Tassey proposed a friendly amendment to raise the International Travel Team’s budget from $1600 to $3,600. 2nd Aaron Fosse. Amendment accepted by Pastor Kirby.

Motion carries.

Motion made by Pastor Kirby to transfer $30,000 from the checking account to the savings account to increase interest rate. 2nd Jennifer Krupp.

Motion carries.

New Business:

Pastor Kirby brought up that the donation button link is a confusing process to use. The board discussed looking into redoing it. Pastor Tassey will look into redoing the button to make the process less confusing.

Motion to establish the accounting with Amazon Smile made by Pastor Tassey. 2nd Sandra Hernandez.

Motion carries.

Motion made by Pastor Kirby to enact a sexual misconduct policy to be written at the April Board Meeting. 2nd Nathan Nehrt.

Motion carries.

Motion by Pastor Tassey to accept the board meeting nominations (and nominations will be open until March 31, 2015) as:

Pastor- Dan Smith, Mark Triplet, Loy Schlote, Andrew Ratcliffe
Adult Male- JR Townsend, Kevin Wudtke, Nathan Ruppert, Ben Debrick

College Male- Nathan Nehrt, Collin Coats, Craig Gooding

College Female- Lauren Sperry, Gabbie Mitchell, Rebekah Eddy, Lara Scheutz

Youth Male- David Eddy, Ethan Bramier, Ethan Boester

Youth Female- Rebecca Prince, Devin Bramier, Mackenzie Wells, Dana Baker, Jamie Martin, Rebekah Shoenfeld, Kailey Bales

2nd Jennifer Krupp

Motion carries.

Motion made by Lauren Sperry to amend the publicity/conferences section of the budget to a total of $2000. The new budget total will then be $30,090.00. 2nd by Pastor Kirby.

Motion Carries.

Commissioning Revisioning Committee: Pastor Tassey, Collin Coats, Lauren Sperry

This committee will report at the April Board Meeting on changes or visions about commissioning.

Action Teams: Lauren Sperry will write up an explanation of the action teams to put on the website to be given to Pastor Tassey.

Spring Board Teleconference Meeting set for April 24th at 7pm.

Meeting Adjourned by Pastor Kirby. 2nd Jennifer Krupp.