

Minutes for Youth Committee - Sunday, February 14, 2010

Present - Laura S., Lisa L., Mary J., Brandi E, Tina A, Kim S., and Michael B. **Absent:** Betsy V., Pastor Rhonda, Bruce Riebe (Chair), Logan A. **Guests:** Sherri B, Kendra B, and April S.

There was discussion of these Old Business items:

1. Sledding on February 28, 2010 at the Schmidt's from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. A sign up sheet still needs to be posted so a head count can be established for food items.
2. Feed My Starving Children has been set up by Pastor Rhonda for March 10th during confirmation. We are all set to participate.
3. What was the profit on the Valentines Dinner? The possible numbers are $54 \times \$17.50 = \945 . This total of participants minus the expenses which came to \$550 for food and other expense items equals \$395. Tips were also accepted. It was suggested that a running total of expenditures should be kept on all events so when the event is finalized an estimated balance can be established.
4. T-shirts will be ordered again as there is still a need for Baseball shirts and Mission Trip shirts. Laura is going to use a different vender this time. Sherry and Kendra have recommended the company their dance club has used. This company offered a combo of a T-shirt, Sweat pants, and Hoodie for \$45. Laura is going to check into it.

New Business:

1. Tina is going to follow through on the Easter Flowers
2. It was mentioned that Betsy wanted to do the Plant Sale again. Mary mentioned she would ask Betsy to check on this. Possible May baskets.
3. Mary will follow up on a Family Fun day with Bowling or Roller Skating like we did last April.
4. There was much discussion about a Multi Community Event with speakers on Chemical Dependency to take place on a Wednesday in late April or May. This

discussion went on to include speakers on abstinence and a fun musical artist, Janelle Jakueowski, who has a fantastic faith story to share. Janelle charges between \$500 - \$700 to come out per show depending on what is needed. With youth from other congregations attending this event, a free will offering would be taken to cover costs. It was felt that Pastor Rhonda should call other youth directors to see if they would be interested in an event such as this. It was further discussed that a speaker on abstinence could be included to speak on possible topics as Purity Rings. Kim S. said she would check with her Family Living teacher for possible suggestions. Lisa offered to check on an abstinence half way house or a place to hang to keep youth out of mischief. Lisa had heard of something like this. As the event would have speakers covering abstinence, drugs, and a Christian vocalist with a faith story it could be called "Sex, Drugs, and Rock & Roll". A title like this may even spark some adult curiosity.

5. It was hoped that a board would be posted in the Narthex reflecting the progress toward the fundraising goal for the upcoming Mission Trip to South Dakota. A reminder that this Wednesday night Soup Supper for Lent will have a free will offering to go toward the Mission Trip.

6. *Kelsey L*, via her mother suggested former Confirmants of varied ages come to conformation to speak on their life experiences concerning conformation. It would be a great night for memories such as: In my day _____! or This is what I got _____. and how it carried into my adult life.

7. *Kelsey L* also suggested that the youth run a service with sermon and all the trimmings. Mary mentioned that other churches have what is called a Senior Sunday where the graduating seniors give small sermons on a given Sunday. It was further suggested that the youth would be allowed to run the entire Sunday experience with music, choice of responses, greeting, and ushering.

8. Other service projects were offered up. Habitat for Humanity, Mary said she would follow through on that and find out what will be taking place in St. Francis this summer. Chores for elderly within the church, Betsy was looking into this from our last

meeting. May Baskets, tying quilts/blankets, Baskets for Silent Auction, Setting up and tearing down IHN, Gong to a nursing Home or Children's Hospital, Cleaning the Corner Stone.

Some/most of these discussions were tabled as those present felt all should be voting on whether these thing came to be or not.