

Nurture Commission *Minutes*

November 24, 2019 11:30 am in the Parlor

Attendance: Beth, Ellen and Lisa

Not in Attendance: Jason, Rhonda, Manny

1. **Church Board Update - Rhonda/Jason** - No updates
2. **Small Group Update-** (Jason, No updates) Just an email from Jason on 10/9 asking about adding an extra line item to our budget for Small Groups \$1,000.
3. **Golden Age Dinner went well! Comments?** Lots of thank you's sent by emails, cards and hugs. We understand it was a hit.
4. **Women's Retreat Update - not happening this fall** - \$500 in the budget for this event. Usually has a small meal charge to the attendees to help defray extra costs, somewhere between \$10-\$20. Could consider revisiting this event for spring 2020, maybe at Brethren Village again, since room rental is free. Need to discuss more at next meeting.
5. **Christmas Caroling - Dec. 15** I sent a list to Pastor Pam and Vida Snavelly for a review of those who should be visited. We will need to call people the first week of December so we can create the routes.- Beth has list from P. Pam. She will send out routes and we will make calls 1st week of December to arrange for visits.
6. **Christmas Eve cookies** – Lisa R. will email the pastors with clarification about the two Christmas Eve services this year 12/24. 5pm and 7pm. Cookies are to be dropped off on disposable plates down in the Fellowship Hall. Tables will be setup prior to the 5pm service by Beth to house the cookies and punch. Cookie networking time will be conducted between services from 6pm-6:45pm. Amy Engle will prepare punch (Beth has contacted Amy). Cleanup cookie area from 6:45pm-7pm, Lisa R.. Any cookies that are left behind will be placed in freezers. No cleanup should be needed at 8pm, when the 2nd service ends. These details need to be added to the bulletin and announcements in church when speaking about the Christmas Eve services. Lisa R. will follow up on these questions with ECOB staff and pastors.
7. **God as Maker Retreat - Oasis Ministries request from Julie Keith, January 18, 2020** Nurture will sponsor. We will provide lunch and pay a portion of the registration fee for those who sign up in advance. Publicity? – Beth and Ellen are attending. Beth will order the lunch in advance and both Beth and Ellen will arrive early that morning to setup tables in the Fellowship Hall.
8. **Lent (Easter is April 12, Lent begins Feb. 26)** – Ask Jason if new Small Groups will be able to replace Lent groups this year? This would make sense if these new small groups are already formed. No other ideas were discussed about Lent.

9. Appointments - need to complete, have many holes

- Child Care Coordinator – Ellen recommended Ben & Candice Hoover
- Historical Committee - Jim Hoffer would like guidance as to what this group should be doing
- Lent Committee – no suggestions *Jason may have someone in mind?
- Post High Group- no suggestions
- Women's Retreat – no suggestions

10. Organization of Nurture Commission for 2020 – Beth is stepping down as Chair of the Nurture Committee end of this year Dec. 31, 2019. Who wants to step into her role? Can a pastor Chair a committee? If so, we nominate Jason to be our new Chair ☺
Thanks you Beth for all you have done over the past 2 years as our Commission Chair. We appreciate you and we will miss having you in this role.

11. Next meeting is in January 26 at 11:30am – Parlor Room. – Lisa R. will confirm this space for 2020. Do we want to continue to be the 4th Sunday at 11:30am after church?

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Minutes submitted respectfully by Lisa Rosenberger