

September 18, 2019

Attendees: Chair, Peg Over, Mandy Hileman, Amy Karr, Jordan Eberhart, Peggy McFarland, Pastoral Liaison Greg Davidson Laszakovits

Discussion:

Jeli Mora's fundraiser raised around \$1,000 in support of Gifford's Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence. Peg will put in a check request after verifying the official total.

Run for Peace:

- No new updates, regarding coordinators, from Jordan after reaching out to the three current members; Kurt DeGoede, Stephanie Kardohley and Austin Gee. Jordan discussed placing an announcement in the bulletin. Peg discussed asking Karen Davidson Laszakovits and/or Paula Burke to make an announcement in church as former members of the committee.

"The Big Idea" - "Building is the launch pad...what is ECOB's moon shot?"

- Greg stated that the pastors brainstormed an introduction for the "ask" from the congregation, and our goal, for including "The Big Idea" at Love Feast. Amy discussed tent folds with key questions to stimulate dialog and using the back of the cards to write or draw ideas. The group discussed a paper roll for individuals to write on, playdough or Legos for individuals to build and express their ideas. Amy discussed placing a snippet into the weekly email and the witness team being present to take pictures to capture ideas that are being built, drawn, etc.

Immigration detainee care kits (backpacks) - *discussed sending this back to the Immigration Committee*

Other service collections:

- **Inaugural food drive** – requesting the campus and community to participate during the month of October. The event is planned on October 23rd at 3:30pm and the items raised will be walked to ECHOS. The group discussed having members present for this event.
- **Shoe drive** (Harrisburg Christian School) to support students going on a trip to the Dominican Republic, they are requesting donations of **gently** worn or new shoes. (Funds2Orgs.com) The group discussed verifying with Jason that he is not planning to do anything similar when taking the youth to Washington DC. There was discussion about placing the shoes in a bag or using a rubber band to keep the shoes together when they are being collected. These would be due by October 30th.
- *November Food Drive*
- *December – Peg over will speak with Peggy Schaffer for a list of items to donate for individuals.*

2020 Budget

- \$13,210 is left to spend out of O&M
- The budget was discussed by the group and the group identified that there are organizations that may require more support moving forward. A number of congregations have withdrawn from the district, there may be an increase in needs in the future.

- The group agreed to keep the budget from last year and we discussed requesting to keep 10% of the budget allocated to the Witness commission, Peg will communicate these requests.

Visit to report on Rwanda (request for a non-Sunday morning)

- Josiah Ludwick would like to come and give an update to the congregation on the service that he and his family did in Rwanda, they had received donations from O&M.
- Greg will respond to him and let him know that Sundays would be best attended for his presentation.

Petra Peacebuilders comments

- Consideration for O&M. Mandy will reach out to Bianca to see if she would be local in the near future and whether she would be available to speak.

ECHOS report

- Peggy states that things are going well for the winter shelter (new grants and programs) and increases to temporary/crisis housing.
- Peggy will check to see if they have additional clothing needs and will place an announcement of any needs in the bulletin as appropriate.

Peg - Blood Bank Drive:

- Nancy Becker is stepping down and the coordinator role is open. The coordinator is the contact person for the Red Cross, makes announcements, creates and distributes flyers, etc.
- Peg discussed asking Nancy Sheath if she is interested in the coordinator role.
- The group discussed reaching out the 20 & 30's class to see if anyone would be interested.

September 24th, SERRV New Windsor work day

November 17th, BHA visit – SS and moment for mission

Next meeting:

October 2nd, 2019 at 7pm (Pastor Greg's Office)