

# Christian Education Meeting

**August 2, 2021**

Present: Jason Haldeman, Kendra Gottshall, Brittany Hoeschele, Kathy Nornhold, Craig Coble

## **CHECK-INS**

### Nursery

- Deb and Jo are working on the schedule as the nursery opens up.
- Change language to be inclusive of bottle feeding and nursing parents

### Shine

- Start 9:15-10:15 am on Sept. 12
- Want to keep at least 3 people with that group
- We will stay combined for now until more families come back

### Blaze

- Start 9:15-10:15 am on Sept. 12
- Thinking about the structure of BLAZE
- Gathering time to sing/worship - Introduce the theme of the morning
- Split into K-2 (2 helpers if possible), 3-5

### Jr. High

- Start 9:15-10:15 am on Sept. 12

### Sr. High

- Start 9:15-10:15 am on Sept. 12
- Try to create a welcoming space to invite youth back

### Adult Classes

- Virtual classes will continue into the fall
- Fall - balance in person and virtual classes (perhaps Seekers & New Discoveries classes will become one)

- How do we create spaces for relationship building without taking away from the educational/learning piece of Sunday School

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Building Project**

- Possibly use two rooms on the main floor for blaze. The K-2 class would still be
- Flexible indoor spaces and nice outdoor spaces likely more important than the large number of classrooms originally requested

### **Teacher Recognition in September**

- Letters to teacher - Jason
- Make a donation in their name - Give a Girl a Chance NCP

Virtual Classroom: working with Sage to set one up as a smart room

### **Children's Church**

Possibilities:

- Alyssa Cross - Maybe (Would like to observe first)
- Jacob & Allison (possibility for the future)
- Maura (need clearances)
- Karen Stoltzfus
- Paula Burke

### **Future Goals**

- Increase our support of students that have special needs (one-on-one supports)
- Increase Children's Church
- Training for teachers

TO DO:

- **Jason - Send Surveys**
  - Child Protection policy - talk about next time
  - Progress with Smart Cart initiative

- **Craig - Talk to local school teacher to see about resources for anti racism with child education**

## Next Meeting: Aug. 30 at 7:30 pm

For Board:

- We will be preparing room 102 to become the new BLAZE room (for our K-5 grade children).