

Christian Education Meeting

April 5, 2021

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

CHECK-INS

- NURSERY
 - Nursery will be open when church opens

- SHINE (preschool)
 - Will not be happening during the Sunday school hour
 - Start as just one class
 - Perhaps make a survey that has the specific masking guidelines to have some idea of expected attendance
 - Teacher prospects
 - Two adults (older youth or 3rd adult)
 - Ashley Haldeman may be willing to teach again
 - Need leader or co-leader team to coordinate/schedule

- BLAZE
 - Not held during Sunday school hour
 - None at all or modified children's church
 - Just started new Spring curriculum
 - Is it time to reimagine Blaze format?

- Jr. High
 - Zoom meetings fatigue set in
 - Are hoping to start meet outside, pending interest and approval
 - Youth Inquirers Class moved to fall because of virtual fatigue

- Sr. High
 - No interest in virtual meetings
 - Had a few attend the Youth bake sale Easter Sunday

- Adult classes
 - Getting great virtual turnout
 - Intersections class is still meeting informally about every other week on Zoom
 - Sunday School Class at 9:15am through Zoom is planned out through April 18th
 - Move to 9 so time to arrive for in person church
 - Smart quote update: cart recommendation 4-5K

- Joint book study with Lititz COB on Monday night
- Bible Study on Thursdays planned- Compelling Vision from Denomination (looking for leadership)

Other Business

Teacher Recognition in September

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

Children's Church

- Have an event to fill out clearances?

Leaders:

- Jason & Ashley
- Kathy & Kendra
- Brittany & Ann
- Cassie Mora & Lauren Ober-Miller (need clearances?)

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:

- **Kathy - Give a Girl a Chance donation - \$200 (Someday.. Maybe May)**
- **Brittany - Talk with Jo to possible co-coordinate Shine**
- **Jason - Send Surveys**
 - Shine: Perhaps make a survey that has the specific masking guidelines to have some idea of expected attendance
 - Blaze: Will reach out to teachers/helpers to ask if they would be willing to teach during the church hour, modified children's church
 - Progress with Smart Cart initiative
 - Find Leadership for Thursday Bible Study
- **Craig - Talk to local school teacher to see about resources for anti racism with child education**
- **All - Clean Ch. Ed. closet**

Next Meeting: May 3 at 7:30 pm

For Board:

- Beginning to consider options for how we re-open safely and still meet Christian education needs of all congregants
- Sending surveys to Shine and Blaze to get a feel for numbers upon reopening