

Christ the King Youth Advisors Meeting Minutes March 30, 2006

Attendees

Dan Skibba, Laurie Skibba, Judy Converse, Caitlyn Shields, Betty Mulrey, Pastor Keyl.

Cardboard Box City

Laurie Skibba presented the Box City project. This project will serve Anne Marie house and serve as her Diaconal Ministry project. This is a one-time project.

This is the first mini-event sponsored by Anne-Marie House. The tentative date is Saturday June 10 – to Sunday June 11. This will accommodate Jewish participants who will arrive after sundown on Saturday. There will be learning activities and possibly a homeless outreach speaker.

We need to know if our youth will be involved. Dan suggested that this might be done through confirmation to encourage participation. This will include grades 6 through 12. Judy will approach confirmation group. Caitlin will handle sign-ups for Christ the King.

This event will also serve as a project for Laurie on her path to the ELCA Diaconal Ministry. Laurie will arrange for CtK members to act as representatives of CtK as required by the Diaconal Ministry program.

Spring Fling

There are three youth interested. Dan will be the advisor. The increase in cost (\$50 to \$90) may have reduced this year's attendance. Dan will handle the registration process with Calumet.

Lock In

We went into a lot of detail regarding the event.

This was the first year we provided the opportunity for attendees to provide feedback. For next year, we need to reverse the numbers on the evaluation form to make the form more intuitive.

There was generally positive feedback about the band, facility and activity options.

They ran out of pizza. Dan will discuss this with the Youth Activities Director from Hampshire Hills. We need to promote everyone bringing soda and snacks to share in a common area. Kids should bring their own drinks or the money to buy drinks from the machines.

We need to announce that bottles and candy wrappers need to be disposed of.

There was some concern that not everyone participated in the concert. Our expectations were that the attendees did not have to necessarily participate in

the concert, but they need to be upstairs in the general concert area. We will work on starting the concert earlier next year so we can get the attendees into their activities sooner. We need to make sure when we produce the information packet for next year that concert participation is required.

Some individual asked that the schedule be made available ahead of time. We should be able to do this without any problem and include it in the information packet.

Dan will find out the earliest the concert can start. He will see if we can move the concert to gym.

The tentative date for next year is Friday, March 23rd. Dan will contact Hampshire Hills and Youth encounter to make the required bookings.

We want to frame the event next year by opening with some short devotion-like experience and end the event with common prayer.

There was interest in more organized events. We will consider this when we develop the schedule for next year. We also want to introduce a 1-hour Bible study.

We need to be more explicit about adult responsibilities in the opening announcements. These expectations should be on a card so adults know what is expected.

We need to be less subtle about the restricted areas. One possibility is to place chairs across the entryways to forbidden areas.

Several adults were trying to hunt down a cup of coffee. Coffee has been available in the past but was not this year. Dan will discuss this with Hampshire Hills and we will make sure that from now on, either Hampshire Hills or Ctk will provide coffee.

There was apparently an issue with the number of tennis racket available. We will encourage people to bring their own rackets next year. Dan will also discuss this with Hampshire Hills.

There were comments regarding the public displays affection between attendees. We will put something in the information packet to remind youth advisors to discuss this issue with their youth before the event. We lowered the grades we invite to the sixth grade and we must ensure that these younger youth are not exposed to behavior that one would not expect at a Christian youth event.

We need to have blank sign-up forms at the check-in table. Also, we need people directing traffic at the base of the stairs.

We need to make adults aware that their registration forms will be kept at the check-in table in case they need to access them.

San Antonio

Youth will meet at CtK on April 8th. Judy has forms from Thrivent for matching funds for the fundraisers.

We want to some kind of recognition at worship just before and just after the event.

Global Mission Event

Judy will get more information about other groups that are going. If we want to send any youth as a group, we would need some adults.

Beach Day

The tentative dates are August 21 or 19. All youth with pulse are invited.

Hammonasset

Dan will research options for 20x20 dining fly.

Action Items

Dan Skibba

- Register CtK youth for Spring Fling and request check.
- Contact Rachel at Hampshire Hills to discuss the following:
 - Date for 2007
 - More pizza (consider number of adults)
 - Coffee
 - Can we start the concert earlier?
 - Can we hold it in the gym?
 - Tennis rackets.
- Draft a letter to attending churches that will include the amount of money raised and how we are addressing the issues raised in the evaluation forms.
- Contact Youth Encounter to book Captive Free for March 23rd, 2007.

Judy Converse

- Contact Tami McKay regarding CtK confirmation youth participation in Box City event.

Next Meeting

May 4th at 7 PM at CtK.