

Children, Youth, and Family Ministry Committee

Minutes: November 10, 2008

In Attendance: Julie Hagan, Lily Wu, Charlie Germain, Fred McElderry

Absent: Paul Milholland, Rebecca Pollicino, Abby Striebel, Lisa Spittler

1. Web Page update

- Lily discussed the web page. What are our hopes, priorities, and needs for web info?
- We asked her to add a "Project Connect" link to the web site.
- Julie suggested setting up a Facebook group (she will do this)

2. Visiting Teams

- Five congregations have so far offered to be guinea pigs for this when we get it going.
- Julie will e-mail the notes she got from Paul to Charlie

3. Heart of Ministry Award

- Committee voted the award to St Philip/Brooklyn, and Pastor Karen Kuttler, for their MAG program (Ministry Among Guyanese). This program is run jointly with St Paul's Lutheran (LC-MS). We will explore possibility of having President Benke be a part of presentation to St Paul's. Charlie will call Pastor Karen Kuttler to let her know and write up a press release for the Synod E-News.
- In discussing the dearth of nominations this year, we remembered that last year most of our nominations came from the Town Hall meetings that were held throughout the synod. Perhaps this fall we want to piggyback on whatever opportunity we have to present the program and get nomination forms out.

4. National Youth Gathering

- The plan to rent a bus is probably not going forward (cost is comparable to air fare, but takes extra days)
- The gathering folk are offering a series of three on-line Training Courses for adults who will be attending the gathering.

5. Other business

- Lily brought to our attention series of rock/folk CD's with music from Jonathan Rundman that she is excited about and using.
- Youth ministry Network Extravaganza (January 29-February 1). Several committee members are attending

Next meeting: Monday, January 12, 2009