

Outreach Committee Minutes

April 14, 2008

Attending: Judi French (chair), Linda Lamb, Hazel Summers, Rich Mueller, Daryl Monk, recording secretary.

Meeting was opened with a prayer from Judi.

OLD BUSINESS

August SSO – Linda Lamb.

Linda presented her proposal for the open August SSO to be the Community of Welcoming Congregations. Currently, our church pays \$80/yr membership fee. There are 95 congregations in Oregon & SW Washington. CWC prepares many conferences, coordinates activities in support of LGBT concerns. One of them, a Camp at Suttle Lake Camp for youth at risk. Another activity, the Transgender conference, is held at various churches in the area. This year was held in Portland at the UCC. Last year's conference was here at Corvallis FUMC. (Our church got very good reviews and attendees were warmly received.) They also support Pride events, Pastoral Counseling & Suicide Prevention Vigils. They think a goal of between \$500 & \$700 would be great. Linda received information as to dates, etc. for The Methodist and bulletins and request for speakers and music coordination. Other options for the August SSO have been for the Nursery Remodel (see below).

Consensus vote to support CWC for the August SSO.

Nursery Remodel (last month's request from Nancy Osborne). Voted to recommend Remodel put on the Alternative Christmas list.

Native American Ministries SSO – April 6th

The congregation supported Native American Ministries SSO with one of the largest in recent history: \$1,110. People thought it went well due to a speaker as well as other publicity.

Peace with Justice SSO – May 18th

The Active for Peace & Justice group will be coordinating this SSO on May 18th.

VIM Scholarship Fund SSO – June 1st

LinnBenton Food Share SSO – July 13th

Daryl will write a challenge letter to church social groups. Also needed a Donor Info letter/flyer to hand out going door-to-door.

Judi will provide info to Program Council.

NEW BUSINESS

Ideas?

Are we missing any opportunities? Hispanic/Latino Outreach. Need Interpreters. Coordinate with OSU Theme Group (Latino Center), Cooking Class

Web Page

Daryl spoke with webmaster Bill Veley about including a Outreach webpage addition to the church's website.

Some of the items to be posted:

Previous meeting minutes

Current & past SSOs including summary & financials

Post pics & brief write-up of past projects: Jackson St., Casa Metodista, Mt. Angel/St. Josephs.

Upcoming Mission Opportunities: 1-year, 6-month, 3-month

Umbrella Groups:

Cooking Class

We Care

South Corvallis Food Bank

Homeless Shelter

Linn-Benton Food Bank

Vina Moses

Magruder Cleanup

Next Meeting: May 12, 12:30PM