SHEPHERDING BOARD AGENDA

October 9, 2023

"We make disciples who make disciples."

Lay Shepherds and Pastors: (C=Chair, VC=Vice-Chair, S=Secretary, NV=Non-voting member)

Until '24	Until '25	<u>Until '26</u>	Staff
Dana Shaver ^s	Kathleen Schmidt	Ron Morlan	Peter Salmon ^C
Guy Groves	Dave Shirk ^{VC}	John Keiser	Steve Bailey NV
			Josh Coulson ^{NV}

I. REPORTS

- a. *Ministry Wins:* Awana is very busy this year with a lot of kids! Pray for more volunteers.
- b. *Accountability for "Our one"*. Several shared about their "One's" and are looking forward to the Fall Festival.
- c. *Pulse Report:* None this month
- d. *Financial reports:* We reviewed the financial reports, Peter will follow up with Caroline about a few questions.

II. CURRENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Campaign Next Steps
 - a. The team reviewed the current number of commitments and celebrated the progress toward our goal. Attendance was lower than usual on Commitment Sunday (10/8), so we expect to receive additional pledges.
- b. *Feedback on Campaign*
 - a. Several people shared very positive feedback about the study booklet, videos and dessert nights. One comment was too much time may have passed between the first dessert night and Commitment Sunday may have led to fatigue about the campaign. Another comment was about Commitment Sunday attendance which was unusually low the blended service in the Worship Center may caused that.
- c. Key Initiatives for Next Year
 - a. Peter shared 3 ideas for the next year:
 - 1. **Trinity Institute** Classes that would be offered on a rotating basis, a higher level of learning for laypeople. Example: An 8-week class on the Old Testament, with readings and a final project. Once a week on a Tuesday night.
 - 2. **Disciplemakers Cohort** A group that gathers once a month for 6-12 months to grow in disciplemaking. This could be aspiring disciplemakers, people who are trying to reach their "ones", people who are doing small circle. It would involve a different training topic each time along with a check in and prayer.
 - 3. Exploring Christianity Class (lunch after church) -A 4 week class (for example, every Sunday in October), that would be very, very basic for those who are new to Christianity.
 - b. The group discussed these ideas in detail and felt the Trinity Institute and Disciplemakers Cohort were the top choices.
- d. Preaching Topics
 - a. Ideas presented: Romans, worship, women in ministry, mental health, spiritual warfare, unity.
- e. Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

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