

WIN Team Minutes – April 24, 2019 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Members Present: Genny Schumacher, Kem Mogannam, Ivy Williams, Jeff Woodhouse, Mary Beth Harper, Beth Boemler

Members Absent: Chuck Healy, John Cargile

Kem called the meeting to order.

Kem suggested that in anticipation of the changes occurring in the fall, personal phone calls be made to families inviting kids to try Youth out again.

The team discussed the logistics further and explored the options of recruiting other adult leaders to help out and providing a script for callers to follow, possibly including subscribing the youth eNews, information about the curriculum, the new time, and the new structure of small groups.

It was suggested the calls start on August first and callers should call twice before giving up.

Beth referred the group to Chuck's emailed meeting agenda. Someone prayed.

Beth gave a brief update as director.

She specifically spoke of the plans to start two mid-week small groups in the fall.

Middle School Meet-Up would be a Bible study/fun night on Wednesdays at 4:30. This would accommodate incoming 6th graders who are used to that time for Children's Choirs as well as 7th graders who would be present for Confirmation later that evening. Anthony Larson agreed to lead it. Mary Beth suggested ending the group with some culminating event, such as a Bible Olympics or Bible quiz competition.

Cooking for a Cause would be a restart of an old small group for high schoolers. Students would learn valuable cooking skills while also contributing to the community in a meaningful way. Beth had had previous conversations with Leah Williams who had expressed a strong interest in leading this group.

Beth reiterated plans for the summer and upcoming fall and asked for any specific questions the team had.

One person asked about how much money was needed to finish the Youth Center and if we had a plan for it. Beth answered that we needed about seven thousand dollars though she was uncertain of the exact amount. Beth stated there was not a current plan however there would be some money coming in from the garage sale. Mary Beth mentioned doing another social media push in June because that was successful the first time around. The team agreed this was a good idea.

Beth mentioned the youth metrics.

Everyone confirmed they were receiving Felicia's weekly emails with the numbers breakdown.

Everyone agreed this system was working well and agreed to not make any changes at this time or discuss it further.

Beth then referenced the next agenda item of Sunday nights.

Someone suggested sending flyers to youth families of everyone on the roles. Jeff and Ivy acknowledged that youth might not look at the flyers but the families would.

Beth stated a new idea of bringing in other church leaders, paid and volunteer, to bring the message for Sunday nights. This frees Beth up to do other things she is gifted in while also tapping into the natural gifts of others.

Beth reported on the most recent Sunday Night Planning Team session where they came up with a bunch of ideas on how to make Sunday nights even better. (This was in addition to the current plan to have the team focus less on planning an entire night and more on taking specific established roles all year long, such as praying, leading games, giving announcements, etc.) Most of the ideas centered around having various theme nights.

Beth then referenced the next agenda item of Youth Music Strategy.

They decided to table this discussion again due to John not being present. The group affirmed the current plan of moving Cantate to 3:00 on Sundays, concurrent with Youth Band.

Beth moved to the next agenda item "other items."

Beth stated she felt like a lot of the discussion centered around her ideas for "righting the ship." Beth stated she was happy to have the creativity around this process, but was hoping the team could also focus on things for the future. Assuming they could completely "right the ship" they would then need a direction to go, and this team could help with those ideas, even if those ideas couldn't come to fruition immediately. Mary Beth agreed with this and stated she felt the same way. Other team members also expressed agreement with this.

Beth opened the floor to any and all ideas and there none at the time. Beth acknowledged this was a big thing to ask and instead encouraged everyone to think about it throughout the month.

Beth moved to the next agenda item of scheduling the next meeting.

The team agreed to do this online so that Chuck and John could make sure to be present.

Kem agreed to set up the online system to find the best day and time.

Someone said a closing prayer.