

RELATIONSHIPS TEAM MEETING – MINUTES

July 3, 2024 6:00pm

Team Member				Team Member				Guests
	P	A	E		P	A	E	
Mark Blakley (Elder)	X			Michael Morefield	X			Laura Cooper
Therese Blakley	X			Ethan Funk (Elder)	X			Mike Brink
Connie Sommer	X			Carolina Mateus	X			
MM. – Chris Schupp	X							
WM. – Joanne King	X							

I. Opening Prayer – Mark opened in prayer

II. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes –
Approved

III. Review of Action Items

Recommendations/Plan of Action	Completion/ Follow-Up Due Date	Who is Responsible?
Groceries for June 9 th picnic	Done	Connie Sommer
Get grill, charcoal and lighter fluid for June 9 th picnic.	Done	Ethan Funk
Ask Helps team and Chair Team to help with tables for picnic	Done	Mark Blakley
Washers and Corn Hole boards for picnic	Done	Mark Blakley
Pie Contest – find someone to run it and get judges	Done	Connie Sommer
Detailed Link announcement for Picnic	Done	Therese Blakley
Finalize dates for Abide swim nights	Done	Ethan/Therese
Pick date for Prime Timer Bingo event	Done	PT team
Discuss with Discipleship Team about doing Modern Day Knight class in the Fall	Done	Chris Schupp

IV. Old Business

1. Wednesday Nights – the goal is to make it a family night – a night to connect with church family. Discipleship Team is talking about ideas. Joanne King suggested that each church Team (Abide, Men’s Ministry, Women’s Ministry, Prime Timers, Deacons, Discipleship, Mercy etc) each take a week and provide the meal. This could encourage other people to get involved. Each team would have 2 times a year. Something to think about. We will have more discussion at the July meeting.

Discussion on this and decisions made:

Program will start on Sept 11th. Kid Zone and Youth Group will run the same as before.

Helps Team will be needed for Setup and Cleanup as before.

There will be some type of meal. May do Soup potluck, taco bar, buy pizza, buy deli sandwiches. Have 4 standard meals that can be rotated during the month. Need to decide how this will get coordinated. Much discussion about getting teams to handle this each week. Maybe 2 times per year? This will also need a good communication plan to help keep everyone informed of what is happening each week – from the pulpit, Link, Posters, Emails, etc.

There will be some type of teaching/breakout sessions. For the first semester, the people staying for the teaching will be divided into a men’s group and women’s group. More discussion needed on the logistics of the space needed for these groups. Ministry Center, Fellowship Hall?

For our August meeting, we need to decide on a new name to replace Conversations – talked about something to indicate Spiritual Nourishment. We also need to come up with an outline of what each week will look like and how teams can be formed to make the meal happen.

Discussion of financial aspect of new meal plan. There is a concern that most of the Youth Group kids have not been contributing which leads to a \$150 deficit each week. At the \$5 per person rate, we feel we can provide the meal each week if we have to buy it (pizza, deli sandwiches, etc)

2. Summer Picnic Review-

Had about 300 people attend, including Breakaway families that are non-members. Had 3 pans of hamburgers leftover – they were given to the fire station across the street. Not many hot dogs left. Needed more sides and less desserts. Lemonade was a hit. Did not need 5 gallons of iced tea.- maybe ½ that. \$755 was spent for food. The blowup obstacle course slide did not work “dry” so water was used – need to inform parents ahead of time if it is going to be a water event. The Duckies on the Go food truck under quoted us – need a different option next year, or just do our own Ice Cream sundaes. Only had 3 participants for the Pie Contest. Need specific people assigned to help do setup and clean up. Did not have a clean up crew.

3. Summer Socials – Teams were assigned and communicated via email at the end of May. Groups are meeting. There are 10 groups with a total of about 75 people are participating.

V. Reports –

- A. Abide – Ethan gave report. Adult swim night scheduled for July 20th 5:00-8:00 pm at the Blakleys. Need to use the grill that night. Family swim scheduled for August 3rd – 10:30am – 12:30pm. They will provide simple lunch. They are currently doing the book of Matthew on Sunday mornings. There will be a Fall event at the Morefields and Friendsgivingmas in Nov/Dec. Talked about combining Primetimer group and Abide for a football game in the ministry center in the Fall.
- B. The Women’s ministry –Joanne gave the report. Women’s Night of Worship is scheduled for Aug 25th. Brittany Johnston-Colle is going to give her testimony.
- C. The Men’s ministry - Chris Schupp attended and gave a report. Team is down to Chris Schupp, Chris Stackpole and Dallas Reeve. They are feeling burnout and want to rethink the events that are being held. Maybe get some fresh perspective. Chris Schupp agreed that he would be willing to serve if someone else took over leadership. Need to discuss a leadership change at our next meeting.
- D. Prime Timer group – Bingo event planned for August 3rd 2-4pm. Beth Armstrong is going to be the Bingo caller. Team will work together soon to plan out the details.
- E. Conversations – TBD at next meeting.

VI. New Business

- 1. Talked about potentially hosting a worship concert at our church. Therese found out about it from ShowOps. Thought it would be good if some of our team could attend one of their events and see how it goes before contacting them. Therese will follow up.

VI. Adjourn

Michael moved that we adjourn and Ethan 2nd it.

New Action Items

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Add agenda item to session meeting to discuss changes in Wednesday night program. Possibility of having elders teach or help lead teams. Also about the leadership change for Men's Ministry		Mike Brink
Come up with new name for Conversations		Team effort
Look at schedule for ShowOps concerts and see if there is one coming up in our area		Therese Blakley
Check and see if Pizza Hut would give us a deal for Wed. night meal once a month.		Mark Blakley

Next Meeting Date	August 7 th , 6:00pm
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Therese Blakley

Recording Secretary