

LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING

February 11, 2014

Members Present: Darlene Kiehne, Diana Waltzing, Makayla Waltzing, Joyce Johnson, Julie Savoie Pastor Kluver, and Council Liaison—Terri Elsey

****We are currently looking for one more member for our committee.**

The meeting opened with devotions by Darlene K.

New member Makayla W. was welcomed.

Terri brought us a copy of “Additional duty to Christian Education”

It states: Distribute copies of the Child Protection Policy and Procedures each August/September to all staff, both volunteer and paid. This policy includes Background Check Authorization, which needs to be completed by all persons who are involved in the supervision or custody of minors. The completed forms must be submitted to the LWLC office staff to facilitate completion of the background check.

***This was approved by our committee to go to Council.**

Election of Officers-Diana Waltzing was elected Chairperson and Julie Savoie Vice-Chair/Secretary

Secretary Minutes-The minutes were approved.

Expenses for January

Sunday School--\$200.98

Confirmation—\$770.92 (Confirmation Retreat)

Adult Education—\$46.17

Library—\$135.44

Adult Bible Study

- 1) The next adult bible study will be held on April 28th, May 5th, May 12th, and May 19th. Subject to be determined.

Catechism/Confirmation/First Communion

- 1) Catechism—Pastor would like to go back to how he used to schedule it. They would meet four weeks in a row and then take a break and then start another four week session. Right now they are meeting once a month.
- 2) Confirmation—The retreat is scheduled for February 15-17th. Eight youth are attending.

- 3) First Communion is set during Lent. The students and Pastor AJ will meet three times before Maundy Thursday. They will make the bread for the Maundy Thursday.

Library

2014 Committee Members: DiAnn Zimmerman, Chair Jane Osterberg, Secretary Connie Berghuis and Sue Christopher

Non-voting members: Joyce Peterson and Carolyn Fiskness

Librarian: Dodie Sorbel

This year's emphasis will be on reference books. This committee is open to other suggestions.

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Sunday School

We discussed strengths and weaknesses in our curriculum. The strength of this curriculum is it is bible based. One concern is that we need more activities for the younger children to do that reinforce the weekly story. Younger children need more variety because of their shorter attention span. We will work on this by staying in communication with our Sunday School teachers.

We talked about attendance. It has been down. We feel that the weather has been the culprit and numbers will go up as the weather gets warmer. It was suggested that we call families that are not attending regularly. We can see what their needs are and offer any assistance possible. We can also gather the materials from the weeks they have missed and send it to them. We want to keep good communication with the parents and children.

VBS

We will check out VBS programs from the Mustard Seed for our meeting in March. The two we will be looking at are from Group and Concordia.

Other Business

- 1) We will discuss graduation in more detail at the next meeting. There is a questionnaire that is sent out to each graduate to fill out about himself/herself. We will discuss other details in March.
- 2) NEXT MEETING: MARCH 11TH

There being no further business the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Savoie, Secretary