Ministry Team Meeting

March 4, 2019

The meeting opened at 7:00 PM with prayer.

Attendees: Pastor Chris Hart, Sandy Keene, Kim Mosley, Caroline Cranos (via phone), Linda Paulet, Jennifer Petersen.

Pastor Chris opened the meeting in prayer and then asked the attendees for an "emotional weigh in" to gauge where everyone was after our Annual Meeting on Sunday. Following that there was some discussion about the meeting and any follow up items the Ministry Team is responsible for.

Jen and Chris are going to put together a written copy of the job description for the Search Team so folks understand what the role will look like. There are already at least 3 members who have indicated an interest in being on the Search Team. The group brainstormed some other possible people who may have an interest and will make some phone calls in the next week.

Pastor Chris is going to reach out to the Profile Team about beginning work on the Scope portion of the profile while the business of putting together the Search Team gets done.

The meeting then moved to the topic of Succession Planning for the Ministry Team. Currently there are two open positions: Faith Formation and Worship. Additionally, each Minister is in search of a "shepherd" to mentor and hand off the role to next year. Caroline has some names she's going to reach out to about Faith Formation. This topic then segued into the Minister "Check Ins".

Caroline discussed the topic of the current staff positions. Last year it was decided that GCC would only fund these positions for one more year and if the financially situation was the same, they would need to be eliminated as an expense. There is a dedicated group of folks who have begun a crowd funding effort to keep one position to cover the Youth Coordinator role. Caroline and Pastor Chris will continue to work on this project.

Sandy Keene informed the group that Team Curb Appeal will meet next week. They are seeking some input regarding what folks would most like to see with regard to sprucing up the area in front of the building. Signage was mentioned. Painting the columns was also mentioned.

Sandy also talked about some communication she's had with the Pentucket Arts Foundation about hosting some events here at GCC. Jen will work on scheduling something with the rep from PAF.

Kim Mosley is excited about our upcoming Kindness Campaign which will be rolled out this Sunday, March 10th. She talked a bit about how this would work. There will be a special email going out

Thursday inviting the congregation to come find JOY at worship Sunday. A reverse offering will be done and attendees will receive an envelope with cash to share in any way they see fit to help the community.

Pastor Chris weighed in on the Bylaws Team and the progress they are making. He gave some details about how the new bylaws will look.

Linda Paulet then shared with the group that she has folks lined up for the entirety of 2019 to handle the scheduling portion of the Minister of Worship job. We talked about possible successors and how to proceed with this open position.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Petersen