

BCE Minutes

December 3, 2009

Members in attendance: Marcia Hauser, Joan Hearrell, Lori Houston, Art Miner, Jennifer Seals, Linda Stevens, Susie Vehling, and Cheryl Carlson

Members absent: Jennifer Coon

Ex-officio present: Jenny Zotz

Reports

Secretary's Minutes -- The minutes from the meeting held on November 3, 2009, were reviewed and approved as written.

Council Representative – Lori attended the Council meeting held on November 12, 2009. At the Council meeting, the activities for November and December were reviewed including the Birthday Party for Jesus.

Budget Manager – Art did not have a formal budget report available; however, the recent expenditures were reviewed.

Youth Group – Jenny reported that the Junior youth group had a good time at the bonfire. The youth are making gifts for the college kids (chex mix) and the shut-ins (angels from old hymnals). They are busily practicing for the Advent play. The youth will be caroling on December 13, 2009. After caroling, the youth will be exchanging gifts (\$10 or less).

Jenny will be gone with the confirmands on their retreat on January 22, 2010, through January 24, 2010. A replacement was requested for both services. Art agreed to fill-in for the first service. Jennifer C. was volunteered to fill-in for children's church.

Sub-Committees

Sunday school/Teacher support – After a discussion with the personnel committee, the supervision of Lynn will be the responsibility of the BCE. Art has created a form for Lynn so that supplies for the nursery can be obtained. Also, a list was circulated for members to help as back-up nursery caregivers in Lynn's absence.

Jenny is still looking for help during the second service. Sunday school will not be held on December 27, 2009.

Old Business

Advent Dinner and Program – On December 6, 2009, the Advent Dinner and Program will be held. Practice will be held on December 5, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. Phil Harris has agreed to be Santa during the wassail hour from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Set-up will be after church on December 6, 2009. Marcia ordered the chicken and rolls and will pick them up at 4:00 p.m. She also purchased a total of 6 side dishes at GFS (macaroni and cheese, scalloped potatoes, corn casserole) and 4 pans of brownies. Susie purchased tablecloths and decorations.

Angel Tree -- Jenny reported that the gifts are due back by December 6, 2009. There are still tags left, but some money has been donated to purchase items. Joan volunteered to shop for any missing items.

Birthday Party for Jesus – The group discussed the birthday party. Jenny circulated an invitation which will be provided to the youth, including an invitation to bring a friend. The invitations include bringing a baby gift to be donated to the Julian Center. Cheryl will order a yard card advertising the birthday party. Cheryl will bring 3 ½ sheet cakes and punch. The cake and punch will be at the end of the service which will flow into coffee hour. Susie will bring gift bags for the children.

Children's Christmas Eve Service – Jenny and Ross have been coordinating the service including communion to be served.

New Business

New members for 2010 – A number of members (Marcia, Linda, Jennifer S., Karen, and Cheryl) have terms that expire in January 2010. A discussion was held concerning new BCE members.

BCE Representative to attend Council meeting
December 10, 2009 – Art

Dates to put on calendar:

Council meeting – December 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
Birthday Part for Jesus – December 20, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
Next BCE Meeting – January 5, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.
Advent Dinner – December 6, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by:
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Secretary