

**Minutes from Christian Ed. Committee/Sunday School Teachers meeting
August 13, 2019**

PRESENT: Autumm Brazel (Co-Chr.), Pastor Ed Frank, Larry Perkins, Michelle Rubel, Kelly Tate, Katie Olson, Sarah Hertz, Deb Spanier (Supt.), and Connie Dallenbach.

ABSENT: Angie Christenson, Amy Gustafson(Co-Chr.), Brenda Harrold, Laura Todd, and Amanda Tendal.

OPENING PRAYER: Pastor Ed opened the meeting with a prayer.

Items on the agenda were the following:

Class lists- The class lists were reviewed and updated with some corrections. Kelly's class will have only one student this year. Katie & Sarah brought up a couple of names of kids we could invite. We will be inviting some other kids from the community who are not known to be affiliated with any other church.

Forms for parents- Autumm stated that she will have Safe Sanctuary forms, etc. done up and left in classrooms on the first day to send home with students for parents to fill out, sign and return.

Sunday School Attendance Book- Everyone was fine with the having one attendance books again this year and Deb going around to the classrooms to take attendance.

Curriculum- Cherubs-6th grade teachers will use the Whirl curriculum again this year. Kelly would like to have two Kids Bibles that go along with the Whirl curriculum for her class.

Substitute Teachers- Kelly volunteered to be a substitute teacher and helper in classrooms as she will not have students on some Sundays.

Snacks/Drinks- Deb Spanier will keep inventory on the juice boxes again and keep them stocked up. Teachers stated they will supply snacks for their own classrooms again.

Sanctuary Gathering @ 9:10 a.m. - Cherubs-6th grades will continue to meet in the church sanctuary at 9:10 a.m. on Sunday mornings for announcements, etc. Michelle will speak with Chandler about the two of them continuing to provide music with the kids.

Confirmation- Pastor Ed stated that there will be a Confirmation Class again this year. There are six to possibly seven students for confirmation. Pastor Ed reported that two of the future confirmands have inquired about baptism which can be done the same Sunday they are confirmed. Kelly volunteered to be a mentor again this year.

Blessing of the Backpacks- Autumm reminded everyone that the Blessing of the Backpacks will take place this coming Sunday, August 19th. There have been two backpacks already donated for any child that arrives and does not have one. Any unused backpacks, Autumm will take up to L-M School.

Life Line Program- Deb Spanier will once again be organizing the Life Line Program. Autumm suggested having a start date set as well as making sure that adult life lines leave their youth life line a card or letter at least once a month as there have been youth in the past who only receive a card once every 2-3 months. Michelle recommended publicizing right away that we need adult life lines so it doesn't take a lot of time to line them up. Deb said she will be bringing in forms September 22.

Christmas Program- Autumm will be in charge of the Christmas Program this year which will be held on December 8 during the worship hour. It is about the 12 Symbols of Christmas with readers, actors and a couple of songs. Michelle suggested having the program later as Thanksgiving is late this year and stated that there may not be a lot of kids for practice. Autumm stated that she we will begin practice early so everyone is prepared.

Sunday School Kick-Off- Sunday School will kick off on September 8, 2019 at 9:10 a.m. for the Cherubs-high school. Larry reported that Adult Sunday School will also kick off on that Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Connie will be in charge. Olympics themed. Connie has games and prizes. Olympic games will be held in the south parking lot of the church that morning. Connie asked for adult volunteers to help with the games. Michelle recommended publicizing that congregation members not park in the parking lot that morning and also add to the Sunday School invites that we will be playing games that morning so the kids should not wear very nice clothing. In the event of inclement weather, the games will be held in Fellowship Hall.

Third Grade Bibles– We will once again be presenting Third Grade Bibles. We have five Third Graders this year. Bibles will be presented on October 13 during the worship hour. Autumm will order & wrap the Bibles. Autumm will notify parents by sending them letters in the mail.

Festival of Trees- Connie is in charge of the Sunday School tree this year again. We will set aside a Sunday to make ornaments for tree.

Christmas Break– The dates for Christmas Break were set for December 22nd & 29th for no Sunday School.

Other matters not on the agenda- Autumm reported this is her last year serving as Christian Ed. Chr. & Secretary and asked for a replacement for Secretary beginning in January. Connie volunteered.

Deb inquired on a date for her to hold Acolyte Training. Michelle suggested having acolyte training for everyone and then holding the third graders back to practice. Acolyte training will be held on September 15 in Sunday School during the announcements time.

Date set for the next Christian Ed./Sunday School teachers meeting was set for Monday, January 13, 2019 @ 7 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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