

Bethel Lutheran Church Board of Outreach Minutes

Monday, February 3, 2025 from 5:00-6:00 pm

Meeting Agenda

- A. Call Meeting to Order
- B. Roll Call
 - a. Those in attendance: Vonda Lee, Kelsey, Pastor Amy, Tracy, Terri, Cindy, Joyce
 - b. Those absent:
- C. **Devotion**- Vonda Lee
- D. **Share Outs**: Highs/Lows

Old Business:

- A. Minutes from January 6, 2025 meeting: some changes discussed, Approved by Cindy- Kelsey 2nd : approved 5/5
- B. Review and act on any FFS applications:
 - a. Early Childhood STEAM event: Approved 5/5
 - b. Lending a Hand to a Family in Need: Approved 5/5
 - c.
- C. Noisy Offerings:
 - a. **January**- ELCA Good Gifts Program- \$715- Joyce to take care of & purchase
 - b. **February**- Richland/ Wilkin Food Pantry – also do food collection/ meal prep- Terri came up with recipe and information was put in the blue sheet. Lisa Bassingthwaite has already requested that confirmation kids help put the meals together. Temple talk: _____ Kelsey _____ Poster: _____ Kelsey _____
 - c. **March**- Be the Love offering- pay it forward - Temple talk: _____ Joyce _____ Blue sheet information: _____ Joyce _____
 - d. **April**- Circle of Nations- prepare goody bag- send home with students.- Temple talk: _____ Terri _____ Blue sheet information: _____ Terri _____
 - e. **May**-
 - f. **June**-
 - g. **July**-
 - h. **August**- Backpack program- Temple talk: _____ Blue sheet information: _____

- i. **September-** Lunch Buddies – Kinship- Bethel members - Temple talk: _____ Blue sheet information: _____
- j. **October-**
- k. **November-**
- l. **December-**

D. College Outreach Subcommittee Report:

- a. Sept/ Oct students want to get out and about
- b. Grocery bingo- blackout for cash prize
 - i. Motion to sponsor College Bingo Night with budget up to \$500 groceries and prizes
 - ii. Motion made by Tracy
 - iii. 2nd by Terri
 - iv. Approved 5/5
 - v. Sub committee to decide date with college
- c. Host something IN our building to get them familiar
- d. Use CAB Board resource thru college weekly email
- e. CREW bible study group- meet at Bethel?

E. Review Year Ahead Calendar-

- a. get it as a working, digital calendar for all board members to access
- b. addition of upcoming events not on calendar
- c. dates that items like facebook page, blue sheet and beacon are due
- d. when do items do need to in- in order to publish.
 - i. Facebook- send to Pastor Amy
 - ii. Blue sheet: in by Wednesdays

F. FFS Community Outreach Luncheon – April 11, 2025 11:00-1:00

- a. Form a subcommittee w/chairperson: Cindy, Joyce, Vonda, Tracy
 - i. Invite members of the congregation
 - ii. Set a time and date to meet: Thursday March 13 5pm
 - iii. Review notes for January meeting see what work
 - iv. Space between those with addictions that the police are aware of, and those who are actively committing crimes. Joyce invited pastoral ministerial members to FFS meeting to connect them with resources

G. Next New Member Sunday: Sunday March 30

- a. Form a subcommittee w/chairperson: Kelsey, Joyce, Terri
 - i. Getting the word out re: New Member Sunday
 - ii. New Member Orientation date and time: 23rd
 - iii. Monday, March 3rd after mtg
 - iv. Food for orientation:

- v. Reception-get to know congregation
- vi. Gifts for new members
- vii. Photos of new members for bulletin board
- viii. Decorating

New Business:

- Future discussion: gift card bouquets used for many people
- A. Give Back Gala
- B. St. Catherine's Outreach
 - a. Adopt a resident
 - b. Get the kids involved
- C. Card making: Spring: Create cards to be used for Thinking of You, Thanks, Sympathy, Way to Go, Easter, etc.- Tracy
- D. Who could chair the March meeting? Tracy will be on vacation.
 - a. Cindy

Business Items for Next meeting: Monday, March 3 from 5:00-6:00

- A. Devotions: Kelsey
- B. Summer agenda: Organize with board of education- kids and Leech home activities
- C. Fall New Member Sunday- Fall: October 12

Meeting Adjourned