

Minutes

Natural Church Development Meeting

October 3, 2010 12:00 p.m.

Attending: Pastor Jacobson, Jana Abbott, Joy Leimer, Anna Flynn, Tom Yingling, and Marilyn Wasser

Absent: Joan Bowen, Zoe Hoyle, Mike Honas and Jeremy Koehler

Jana Abbott called the meeting to order.

Old Business

The Neighborhood Caring Program started September 1, 2010. We have had two caring responses in the first month of the program. Meals were provided to both. The status of the casserole supply was discussed. Those who have prepared casseroles were directed to submit their receipts to Cathy in the church office for reimbursement of ingredient costs.

The NCD team reviewed, edited slightly, and approved a draft brochure of the Neighborhood Caring Program prepared by Joy Leimer. It will be presented to Cathy to re-format as a tri-fold brochure to fit in the pews with the envelope slots.

New Business

This is the final meeting for this second NCD team regarding the study of the Loving Relationships characteristic. Jana thanked the NCD team members for their extended service on this project (nearly two years). A written summary of the NCD team's work and activities was reviewed and discussed. It was suggested that this summary be published in the next newsletter. Jana Abbott will prepare an article. As part of the NCD process, upon completion of the NCD team's work, a random survey of a sample size of the congregation is taken to evaluate Gloria Dei in all 8 NCD characteristics. Jana Abbott will contact Pr. Len Dale with the CSS (Synod) office to advise him of the NCD team's completion of work and request that the survey be taken. The NCD team does not recommend the formation of a new, third NCD team to address any of the remaining 8 characteristics.

The NCD budget line item for next year will be eliminated. The only funds anticipated going forward will be for casserole costs for the Neighborhood Caring Program. This will be budgeted through the Social Ministry/Outreach committee and its chair Tom Yingling will make a budget request of \$300 for 2011.

No further business came before the NCD team and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jana Abbott