

Justice Ministries Coordinating Team Meeting

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Leffler Living Room

Those present:

JMCT Members Present: Betsy Bell, Chris Breunig, Louise Gringel-Caswell, Karen Knudson, Jacquelyn Miller, Marjorie Ringness, Carolyn White

Absent: Tom Campbell, Rick Hodsdon

Guest: Lynne Markova

Betsy opened with prayer at 7:01 p.m.

Updating the Strategic Plan

Lynne Markova is leading the update of the strategic plan and led the JMCT to address a series of questions that will help with planning for a three to five year period.

Ideas for the 2030 Planning Group

Marjorie will be meeting with the leaders of the 2030 planning group on September 12 and will provide them with input from the JMCT. Issues put forward included climate change concerns, becoming involved with the Capital Hill Eco-District, ongoing stewardship of our grounds. Questions were raised about the continued tenancy of the buildings on the cathedral campus that now house the Brightwater School and the Gage Art Academy. Marjorie asked for other thoughts be sent to her via email.

Discussion of “Silo” Article

We discussed an article by Susan Beaumont entitled “Silo Mentality: Breaking through to Collaboration” in light of our experiences at St. Marks. One suggestion was to have the justice ministries address a question about their efforts to recruit volunteers and to collaborate with other ministries as part of the annual evaluation process. The question was also raised as to what role the JMCT plays the “structural design” (Beaumont’s term) of the cathedral. We currently have two mechanisms—1) having a liaison with the Faith Formation Ministry; and 2) requiring justice ministries to turn in an annual report—in place to communicate and collaborate with the broader community.

2016 Budget Review

Marjorie recently reviewed the financial activity in the justice ministries, which are basically on track with expectations for 2016.

UCEF

Louise recently collected \$259 and a trunk load of toiletry items. The organization is also looking for new board members, especially people who might be able to help with networking, social media, and raising funds.

Karen offered a closing prayer at 8:35.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Our next meeting will be held on October 4, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Leffler Living Room.

Minutes submitted by Jacquelyn Miller