

Outreach Ministry Team
6-6-17 Meeting Minutes

Present: Linda Varblow, Linda Laubscher, Pastor Will Rose, Sarah Zink

- 1) Devotions: Postponed due to time constraints. Pastor Will opened with prayer.
- 2) May Minutes: Approved as written.
- 3) Council Report: Council will meet 6-13-17 with both old and new members. Renew300 leadership team will meet 6-12-17 to discuss progress in fundraising. We are about halfway to our target amount.
- 4) Old Business / Program Updates
 - a. Grocery Cards: We had 13 gift cards left from Christmas, and Linda V bought 30 additional at \$25 each—so a total of \$1,075 was split among three schools. The social workers are always extremely grateful.
 - b. PORCH: Received our check, which will support snacks for a year at Smith Middle School. Debbie Horwitz will come June 25 and give a five-minute talk at announcement time at both services. Linda L will submit a writeup for the Rosemary Thymes/bulletin that Sunday.
 - c. Food for the Summer: Flyer will go in Rosemary Thymes this week.
 - d. Safe Passage: Committee voted by email to award Annika Narbut \$400 for her mission trip; Tom Alexander will send money directly to Safe Passage. Linda V will meet with Narbut to discuss her own experience in Guatemala.
 - e. Grant Guidelines: Linda V created an application form from the guidelines. Sarah moved to accept the Grant Guidelines and Grant Application Form, Linda L seconded, and both documents were approved. We need to get this document online. Sarah will contact Brett G about creating an Outreach Ministry page. Need to add information from our annual report and photos of projects.
- 5) New Business
 - a. Refugee Project Update: Lutheran Services Carolina wants us to wait until fall because there may be needier families to sponsor then (the two Congolese people we discussed previously already have family support here). LSC will come to a future meeting to talk to us.
 - b. June Budget Allocations:
 - \$1,000 to IFC
 - \$250 to Church World Service
 - \$1,500 ELCA Global Mission Support
 - c. Drive for Day Laborers in Carrboro: They need bigger machinery, not small tools—but could probably make use of hygiene items and clothing; they are anxious for help and will

send a list to Linda L. The group *is* a 501(c)(3), though Tom Alexander advises us that we are free to donate to groups that are not.

- d. Capital Campaign Tithe: See Council Report above.
- 6) Next meeting: August 8. Sarah or Linda V will do the devotion. Linda V will send out any information received in the meantime via email, and committee members should feel free to do the same.