

Adult Education Board (Unapproved) DATE: August 4, 2009 TIME: 8:15 – 9:30am

Members & Guests Present	Bob Singlestad, Carl Schoenstedt Co-Chairs; John Corcoran; Bryce Stenzel; Mary Bliesmer, Secretary; Pastor Arne Jessen.	
Members Absent	Council liaison Dennis Sandersfeld; Dick Wintersteen (plans to return to committee in September when back in Mankato)	
TOPIC	PRESENTATION - DISCUSSION	RESULT/LEADER
Time of Sharing	Relationship Building – Saying hi and sharing news with each other.	
Devotion	Call to order by Carl and Opening Prayer by Bob	Carl and Bob
Minutes	Board minutes for July 7, 2009	Approved/MSC
Old Business August Sunday Forums Update	August 2 - Council and call committee update and Ice Cream Social for CSI Kickoff; August 9 - Special Congregational meeting in Sanctuary August 16 - Care Ministry Team; August 23 – Bethlehem Child Care center – Marsha Madigan, Director; August 30 - Report on ELCA Assembly: 8/16-8/22 – Jim Nagel	Coordinators: 8/16 Mary; 8/23 Bob; 8/30 John
Projected September Sunday Forums	September 6 - Council Update; September 13 – Meet new pastor ?; September 20 – Stewardship Board Update (if not another Board update); September 27 For All the Saints (Intro) – Bryce Stenzel	Coordinators: 9/6 Dennis; 9/13 John; 9/20 Carl; 9/27 John
Saturday Service Meal	John shared information he collected regarding our Board providing the light meal after the August 22 nd Saturday 5:30 pm service. He plans to get more information about the logistics of serving the meal before the 22 nd . Pastor Jessen shared that funds that have been collected for coffee and meals in the past will be available to use for these meals along with the \$25 budgeted.	Decision that John buy food and drinks at HyVee and submit a request for reimbursement. Bob and Carl also plan to be available for set up on the 22 nd .
Board Budget	This year the Adult Education Board has been budgeted \$1000 and we still have \$500 remaining.	When budget is submitted this fall for 2010, Board will need to relate its new request to the adult education program plan
New Business	1. Statement on Our Calling in Education	Mary will lead a forum on this sometime in October;
2009-10 Goals	1. Ensure excellence of Sunday Adult Forums 2. Expand BLC's Bible Study opportunities on various topics (i.e.prayer), potentially collaborating with Grace Lutheran Church	

	<p>3. Explore educational programs for young adults (post high school graduation, including college students).</p> <p>The Council has requested strategies for these goals.</p>	
Strategies for Goals	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to plan forums that provide for the meaningful education of BLC adults(post confirmation) 2. Bryce is planning a series titled <i>For all the Saints</i> which will be held this fall to meet 7-8pm on Wednesdays from 9/30 to 11/3, possibly in Classroom 1, if not in sanctuary where the Saints are painted on the walls. Bryce will write an article about the series for the September Star. 3. Explore programs for young adults who have graduated from HS, i.e. college students. Mary will talk with Diana Olson, Council member, who is a board member at Crossroads at MSU. 	
Future Forum ideas	<p>Carl suggested Tim Benner with Thrivent for Lutherans. Pastor Jessen suggested that this idea be taken by Carl to the Sewardship Board to see if this may be part of a forum in the future that will support stewardship goals. Carl will contact Paul Hagen, Chair of Stewardship to see if that board wants the Forum time for September 20th. Bob will contact Jack Halvorson or Jan Boyum, CoChairs of Evangelism to see if they have a suggestion for a Forum time in the future. Bob will also contact the Youth Board Chair, Laurie Bentsdahl about future collaboration regarding education for HS students (since they are adults in the church after confirmation).</p>	<p>Carl and Bob will make contacts with 3 other Boards</p>
Meeting adjourned	<p>Lord's Prayer</p>	<p>All</p>

Next Meeting: September 3, 2009; 8:15am

*MSC = Motion Seconded. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Bliesmer