

YRSC report for 12/8/14 BOT meeting

YRSC meeting 11/28/14

We had a small group but just barely reached a quorum. It was a good meeting and everyone seemed to feel a lot of progress was made.

I asked everyone to think about volunteering or nominating candidates for the Board, Endowment and Nominating Cos. per Bob Wordin. No suggestions were made but all promised to give it thought.

The YRSC members who were present last month reported on their 'lapsed pledge unit calls'. Several unlisted numbers, no answers one moved away two referrals to pastoral care. All said they would continue trying to make contact. David Vita pointed out that we had a very bad list. There was a discussion that momentarily broke down into a bad data - bad process debate and a lot of frustration yet again about how to get better data. David agreed to review the lists. I agreed to put a data plan in place for the notes that are generated by our committee.

I also reported sending 145 'Thank You's' for increased pledges (85 opens, 1 bounce [tom.harris@rcn.com](mailto:tom.harris@rcn.com) 3 positive replies). Scott, Ron and Ken reported mistakenly not having been on that list and I am looking into it. And, 39 'Thank You's but why the decrease?' (19 opens, 1 bounce - [nancvan4@optonline.net](mailto:nancvan4@optonline.net) and 2 positive replies)

We discussed themes for the Pledge drive and came up with some great ideas that will be further honed.

Reviewed a timeline created by a sub-committee headed by Mary Money and with a few changes agreed on the plan. We were also able to name sub-chairs for most of the different aspects of the drive. Mary Money - Leadership Party, Bob Perry - Pot Luck Congregation Parties, Ron Taylor - Visiting Stewards, Deborah Quinn - Pledge Rooms.

The time line for the drive will be available in a few days when the minutes from our meeting are distributed and I will make sure you receive a copy.

Any suggestion for speakers or entertainment at any of the pledge drive functions would be greatly appreciated e.g., Leadership party, Pot Lucks, Pledge Room.

Follow-up 12/8/14

1. Mary Money has agreed to sub-chair the leadership party and we have agreed to look for a lower cost caterer than last year while still providing a nice experience.

2. Julia Wyant has agreed to create a logo for this year by mid-Jan. I will be responsible for printing invitations, pledge cards and an educational brochure with limited assistance from the staff, probably Jan as Dorothy has indicated to me that she would like not to be involved in this task.

Bob Perry has committed to handling the congregation pot-lucks.

Ron Taylor will sub-chair Visiting Stewards which will be conducted as the pledge close rather than the Colletter (sp?)

And I request that the Board Members (as well as YRSC members) email me one or 2 lines or ideas/thoughts that they have for the educational brochure so that I incorporate quotes etc. Please keep in mind that the theme will be = This is (Y)our Church.

Deborah Quinn