

Rekindle Foundation Minutes
April 29, 2012
First Christian Church, Springfield

Attendance: Amy Gillespie, Molly Anderson, Ted Logan, Matt Chapman, Krystal Hunt, Marcia Gillespie, John Bender, Jim Hinrichsen, Jane Cahill, Evan Williams, John Trefzger, Gregg Kiesewetter, Keith Hartley, Carolyn Hartley, Pat Watts

Meeting opened with prayer from Matt and introductions of all in attendance

Reviewed minutes from March mtg. and ammended typographical errors; Matt moved to approve and Ted seconded - passed unanimously

Molly updated about progress of 501c3 application and development of bylaws

- Board member terms and reelection - stagger board member expiration dates to prevent complete new board coming in one year
- Considering two and three year terms with tier system being developed for trustees to move up to officer positions
- Molly will continue working with the leadership organization to develop system of stepping up and down
- March will be month of turnover, operating year will be a calendar year
- New officers elected in January and serve as "elect" officers until March
- Board members will give at one of the membership levels designated in Matt's membership level
- Conflict of interest - Rekindle Foundation board members cannot be paid employees of CCIW
- Committees - finance, fundraising, development, membership and bylaw

Accounts have been opened at Heartland Bank, \$1500 in account from donations

Matt reviewed membership letter:

Matt will adapt bottom portion to provide options for anonymous giving, honorarium giving and memorial giving

Letters will be sent and personalized by individuals within the organization

Suggestion made to allow contributions and levels to be considered cumulatively

Suggestion was made that we work to obtain a list of those who have previously supported the camp

Matt will send copy out (will go out with April minutes)

You may include an addressed envelope with those you are mailing out, depending on audience

Suggestion was made for more formal recognition for large donors

Question was raised about whether or not we can fund something from the list which was not a "number one" priority - the answer was that we work with Outdoor Ministries on this, but we do not have to fund just the item at the top of the list

Coins for camp - Three churches are currently competing: Union Ave is at \$108.26, Mt Carmel at \$261.18 and CCC Jacksonville at \$160.78 (two Bloomington churches will join in May)

Camp Work Days May 12-13, 18-19 - Those planning to go should contact Bob Broeker.

Rekindle Facebook page is up!!

Website is still pending

Plan to explore grant proposals at next meeting - cannot apply for grants until 501c3 is completed

Molly going to Effingham to May 15 and will work on making contacts in the Effingham area; Marcia suggested looking into colleges in the area and Jane discussed the possibility of a letter going to Effingham area churches (Amy will look up and provide church address list to Scott Woolridge)

John Bender will be of service in the area of marketing

Any Rekindle members available to go to Memorial Day weekend Art Show are encouraged to have a presence

Fundraisers:

- New fundraising idea of dinner and silent auction, staffed by kids, suggested by Pat Watts - Gregg suggested a compilation of fundraising ideas on Rekindle site
- Mike Bryant, via email, suggested a cycling event in August - Molly suggested later in fall

\$7500 from Kloberdanz foundation for Rekindle Foundation; in addition \$10,000 previously donated to pool from this foundation can be released for other projects - Union Avenue facilitated this donation

Jane updated that the Illinois Valley Conference is obtaining funding (\$2000 each, which is still being raised) and purchased two new commercial grade paddle boats, which are now at camp!

Discussion about moving forward with getting an aerator for the lake at camp

Upcoming work days at Camp are May 12-13 and May 19-20, Rekindle members are encouraged to attend!

Next meeting will take place after the work day on May 19 at 3:00 pm

Matt Chapman moved to adjourn; seconded by Ted Logan