



# Plymouth

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

## BOARD OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION

### Meeting Minutes

12, September, 2018

Attendance:

Yes	No	
■		Lindsey Alexander (2021)
■		Henry Bubula (2019)
■		Corbin Dillon (2021)
■		Becky Dougherty (2020), <i>Chair</i>
■		Jeanne Schuller

Yes	No	
■		John Humphrey (2019)
■		Seth Patterson, <i>Staff Liaison</i>
	■	Josh Scharback (2019)
	■	Johanna Schussler (2021)
	■	Stacy Yoakiem (2021)

GUESTS: n/a

### ***Actions Taken:***

Item 1. Minutes of the previous meeting electronically approved.

### ***Meeting Notes***

#### **Rotating Secretary**

We'll rotate the Secretary position by each signing up for a month where we will take on those duties. See Becky for a list of months that have yet to be filled.

#### **Reviewed the 2018-29 Committee/Group Documentation**

Reviewed which committees fall under the BSF purview. Those include: Sundays @ 10; Christmas Craft Workshop; Sunday Forum; Spiritual Exploration (including Reflection Circles & Jesus Seminar on the Road); Library; Pilgrim Point/Camp Plymouth Core Group; Children, Youth & Families; and Connections (a new program).

#### **Leadership Day**

To be held on Saturday, Sept 29 from 8:30-noon. Please mark your calendars and attend if possible (even if just for part of the time). Will be held at St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church near Lake Calhoun. See emails from Church and Becky for more detail on this.

#### **Church School Curriculum**

Seth and Nina are writing most of the church school curriculum for year. Prior year's required so much tailoring this year they are forgoing the investment in the printed materials and just purchasing access to StarTalk? website. Church school themes will mirror those from worship service. They both feel confidence this will result in a better curriculum and easier workflow.

#### **Christmas Festival**

Lots of interest at Rally Day table. Waiting on decision from Board of Worship on whether church school and worship could be combined that day, but sense is that they will not approve that as it's too early in the change process to alter the Sunday morning schedule. This shouldn't be a big deal; the Christmas Festival will likely run from 11-1 to accommodate both services.

#### **Rally Day**

Sense is all are very happy with results; estimate is 600-700 people in total attended over the course of the day. There were some lessons around set up and logistics, but other than challenges there a successful event.

### **Sundays @ 10 assistance**

Seth asked BSF to send reps to each of the seven Sundays @ 10 offerings for at least the next four weeks: (1) Spiritual Care for Kids You Love; (2) Sunday Forum; (3) The Spirit Moves; (4) Conversations with Dan (Wolpert); (5) Mediation/Spiritual Prayer; (6) Church School and (7) Fellowship. (See Becky's email from 9/14 re: these assignments.)

BSF members are asked to be at each of these offerings to:

- greet participants and help them get to the right place;
- get a sense of # of people attending; and
- share any observations they have about how these offerings (positive or negative).

### **Spiritual Formation Budget**

Seth shared the July to August 2018 Spiritual Formation budget and reviewed its expense structure. Seth would like to propose changes to this structure for the next fiscal year and would like the BSF to weigh in on his suggestions and help advocate for them during the budget process. Seth will present his proposed changes for discussion at a later meeting.

### **Next Meeting**

October 10, 2018 – 6:30-8pm

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*Respectfully submitted,  
Lindsey Alexander*

### **Minutes Procedure**

Minute-taker submits draft to group within 10 days of meeting; members have 7 days to submit revisions (no response is treated as approval).

If any revisions, minute-taker forwards revised draft to group within 3 days for electronic approval; members have 2 days to respond (no response is treated as approval).

Minute-taker submits approved minutes in Microsoft Word format to the Ministry Assistant for Programs (Doug Freeman, [dougf@plymouth.org](mailto:dougf@plymouth.org)) upon approval.