

**REC Agenda – March 13, 2019
At Cantero Brewing**

I. Administrative

- a. Feb Minutes Approval
- b. Possible change for meeting dates from 3rd Sunday to 2nd Sundays

II. Discussion Items

- a. Youth Coordinator Position
- b. Church Social Hall Doors and Habitat – Steve Phillips will be here to get the Council’s input.
- c. Programming (Tabled until April)
 - i. How is programming changing nationwide and what kind of changes do we want to make here? RE Council should play a role in changes. It’s recommended that Council members read the two articles below so we can discuss this.
 - 1. From Winter UU World - <https://www.uuworld.org/articles/better-sunday-school>
 - 2. From UUA regional report called "The Death of Sunday School and the Future of Faith Formation" This report has morphed into a consulting business for the author. Mia have a study guide for the revised version of the report that came out in book form. - https://www.uua.org/sites/live-new.uua.org/files/the_death_of_sunday_school_and_the_future_of_faith_formation_ksweney_june2017.pdf .
- d. Portfolio Reports

III. Future Dates – need to schedule April’s REC meeting

March 31, Sunday - last day of OWL

April 7, Sunday - (tentative) Playground clean-up day with pizza/ice cream
April 12-14, Youth Spring Con in Fort Collins, CO (fka as Bridging Con)
April 13, Saturday - Youth work day Roadrunner Food Bank 8:00-11:00 am
April 14, Sunday - Intergenerational service (no RE), wrap-up Guest at Your Table, Clay and Water blessing
April 14, Sunday - Last session of OWL for 4/5 and 7/8 graders.
April 21, Sunday - Easter, teacher holiday, Can Hunt
April 28, Sunday - Coming of Age service and Camp Pulpit editorial and bake sale

May 12, Sunday - last day of curriculum
May 18, Saturday - Youth work day at Roadrunner Food Bank, 11:00-2:00
May 19, Sunday - 8:00 am Worship in the Wilderness
May 19, Sunday - Camp Sunday (tentative)

May 26, Sunday - teacher holiday with Critter Club activity

June 2, Sunday - Bridging during service (possibly)

June 8, Sunday - Youth work day at Roadrunner Food Bank, 8:00-11:00

June 19-23, General Assemble (LREDA Professional Days begin June 18)

August 4, Sunday - teacher holiday, teacher training

August 11, Sunday - first day of classes (Soul Matters!?)

Written Portfolio Reports

DRE REC March Report – Mia

1. The additional materials required for my credentialing interview were submitted on March 1st. I'm spending this month working on the interview questions, a presentation, and a sample worship. My interview is Wednesday, April 3.
2. I've had good feedback on the calendar/newsletter and producing that has freed up some of the time I was spending writing the blog and creating material for the RE Bulletin Board in the Social Hall. We've ceased updating the RE Google calendar because I believe no one was looking at it. I'm waiting to hear if that's the case. No feedback so far! I'd far rather the Broadsheet link to this .pdf calendar than the Google Calendar.
3. OWL programs will wrap up in April and I'm arranging good dates to host the OWL facilitator's dinners -elementary and youth will go to dinner together.
4. Alymay's last day as YPC was 2/24. Since then, I've been working to be in direct contact with the Youth Advisers. I'm emailing both groups and showing up early before the youth meetings to interact with them. In addition, I'm involved in organizing the Little Free Library painting project now, which the La Amikoj youth are working on. I'm involved in getting participation and registration going for the district Spring Con in Colorado, April 12-14. I'm also working at recruiting more youth advisors and a new YPC!
5. The Potluck Theology meeting continues to be a success. This month there were 11 participants and 6 children. This time, one of the attendees had attended Theology on Tap, as a result of coming to our program!
6. The following is an idea I have that I presented as written to the church Program Staff meeting. I'm including it here for your consideration:
It's really hard to get child care workers on weekday evenings, and this past Potluck Theology meeting was the second time we had to come up with a way to operate with only one. I've also noticed that there's interest among parents in adult RE offerings, but child care is always an issue. I have an idea that I think will result in an increase in interest and attendance at all kinds of offerings. I'd like to hire a couple of adult child care workers. We've tried to do that in the past, and one of the problems is that adults need a regular work schedule to make it worth their while -they don't work 'on demand' the way that youth workers here do. We don't currently have a weekday evening of shared church activity here, and that's one of the things I've noticed that large churches do. One weekday evening dedicated to (for instance) a communal meal and prayer, then followed by various programs in different rooms of the church, with the addition of child care, evolves that night into a true experience of community,

open to all our members, including those with children! Parents could get a chance to participate in adult RE, social justice groups, and any other group that would like to regularly meet once a month on that weekday evening. In addition, some of our youth are campaigning for an evening youth meeting. If there is a time that we have adult child care workers present, our youth child care workers won't be 'taken away' from that meeting with work duties. I bring this up at the Program Staff meeting so that all of you can consider how this might affect and perhaps enhanced your program offerings.

Camp Report March – Nicia

Camp fundraising is going well. The Valentine's dinner made approximately \$500, if I remember correctly. We don't have any events in March, so we are preparing for next month. Alison has made arrangements with goodwill to have a donation bin on campus for the month of April. We will get \$50/bin. The Ohana family is having a clothing swap/ice cream social on the 13th to support this fundraiser. I have spoken with the committee responsible for cleaning out the kitchen/social hall and they will be having a yard sale on Sunday, 3/31. Anything that is left over will go into our goodwill bins.

The pulpit editorial/bake sale will be on 4/28, in conjunction with the Coming of Age service. We are one of the last events to be scheduled in the social hall. Kelsey Atherton has agreed to do the pulpit announcement. We will be advertising both of these events in the April Messenger and the corresponding EBroadsheets.

Also, the SJC has given us a \$1000 camp tuition assistance grant for the past few years. In order to show our appreciation, I volunteered to bring a few camp folk to set up tables and chairs at their silent auction on June 1st. In addition, they inquired about attending our next (camp) event, in order to collaborate and inform participants about the SJC (they extended the invitation to all the groups helping with the auction). While I don't think that camping is what they have in mind, I thought it might be worth mentioning to the REC to see if that is of interest. Finally, we are considering applying for the same grant this year. I may ask Chuckie if she'd be willing to follow through on that.