

Faithful Action Council
October 25, 2016
Notes

Present: Joan Naymark (co-chair), Karen Kingsley (secretary), Taylor Putz, Cindy Marsh, Brian Eschult, Jeff Snyder, Stan Sattinger, Bill Ellwood, Marjorie Herdes, Meg Reid, Sharon Ramirez, Peg Mitchell

Reflections on Partner Sundays to date

- They are going pretty well overall.
- This is a new endeavor and we can be patient in getting people to know the Faithful Action Council.
- It's good to have a deeper conversation about advocacy, not just service.
- With the talk in the service, four minutes is short, so it's best to focus on the personal story.
- It's better if the team leads and partners mix in the social hall rather than standing behind the table.
- Add a Faithful Action Council section to the partner table and have a representative from Faithful Action Council there to talk about FAC.
- Good idea to wear a ribbon or something else to show who people can talk to.

We also reviewed the evaluations of the Partner Sundays that had been submitted to date.

Suggestion that team leads contact Jen in the office to send a follow-up email blast Monday or Tuesday after the service to let people know ways that people can be involved with that partner.

Partnerships Update

Key tasks:

- 1) November 10 convening of team leads. All members of Faithful Action Council invited. Focus on supporting team leads and having team leads learn from each other.
- 2) There will be 1:1 check-ins with team leads in November & December.
- 3) Figure out capacity to do on-going partnerships and pop-up requests for action.
- 4) Evaluate 1 year partnerships (work with Charmagne and Learning/Evaluation committee). In the spring, Faithful Action Council will evaluate potential new partners.
- 5) Figure out application process for new/renewing partnerships

Need to determine whether the congregation is at the limit for volunteers.

Working Group Huddles

Decided not meet in working groups but full Faithful Action Council participated in short conversation about our Advocacy work. The Partnership Working Group also met.

Need to figure out what advocacy tools are needed for teams

Need to sort through what actions to endorse

Next Faithful Action Council meeting is November 22.

Next partner Sundays are 10/30 Augsburg Fairview Academy (Joan Patterson & Cindy Marsh), 11/6 Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative (Peg Mitchell), and Dec 4, Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity – (Geoff Lenox and Ingrid Young), coordinator