Staff Committee Meeting, November 2nd, 2021

Attendance: Julia Wilson, Kaitlyn Williams, Terica Prater, Mary Finney, Dave Garris, Winter Blackmon-Ware, Tim Carl, Judi Damask, Deb Brodlie, Matt Casse, Lily Leach, Bobbie Tchopev.

Review of Ice Cream Social: Overall, big success, nice for everyone to come together, people eating outside in garden, people enjoyed the ice cream and giveaways, Staff Committee banner looked great. About 70 people attended. We used up all the ice cream purchased, cost was $750 plus extra ice cream sandwiches purchased by Judi. Unfortunately, nobody put a thing into our suggestion boxes. How can we improve this—getting ideas from staff?

Scavenger Hunt: November 16th 11-12, followed up by thanksgiving box lunch at noon. Julia and Debra actively putting this together, so far about 25 people have signed up with more coming in daily. There will be teams of 2 or 3 with about 15-18 clues plus finding hidden little turkeys around the building. Winner will get gift cards to the café.

United Way—December 7, silent auction, December 14th—music and afternoon coffee, ideas for a craft, snow globes, gingerbread house building....

Discussion of budget and report to ALT: By the end of this year, provide summary budget to Chris which includes planned activities for the rest of the year or ideas if not for sure and the estimated budget for each. In March of 2022, Tim and Colleen to go to ALT to give presentation on the committee and advocate so that staff award does not come out of our budget.

Staff Committee website- we all love this idea and Tim said he’d get it going.

January—on January 11th, staff invited to visit the Sim lab and try the VR and augmented reality equipment. Later on in January, open staff meeting, headed by Terica, Judi, Deb and Kaitlyn. Opportunity for staff to share concerns in a safe space. We will have to develop parameters.

Feb painting event—needs to be explored and developed and find out costs

As of today, budget remaining is $1200