



Accola Mission Education Committee
Monday, November 18, 2024; 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.
In-Person

Present: Kevin Berg; Susan Oeffling, CSJ; Angela Schreiber, CSJ; Andrea Pearson Tande; Kristine Smyth; Jill Underdahl, CSJ; Karen Zeleznak

Staff: Lacy Sietsema

Not Present: Matt Halley

The Accola Mission Education Committee meeting began at 1:40 p.m.

DEI Statement: Read by Susan.

Prayer: The committee was led in prayer by Susan.

Minutes: The October minutes were presented for approval. Hearing no changes or corrections, the minutes were approved by all present members.

Approval of Agenda: The November committee agenda was presented. Hearing no additional items to add to the agenda, the agenda passed unanimously.

Accola Update

Kevin reported that the Programs and Opportunities Committee is making progress with its Wisdom Ways project. Feedback has been received and a recommendation will be made based on everything the committee has learned. He added that progress has been made with the establishment of a Accola Finance Office.

Reports from Subcommittees

Ministries Map: Angela reported that Michelle Hueg (Province Archivist) is developing a Ministries Map. This map will show all the places with CSJ influence. This map will be available for the bus tour.

Justice Commission & Office: Susan reported that she, Karen, and Angela met with Marty Roers. Marty provided a summary of Justice Commission/Office work last year. Marty initiates a lot on his own and has contacts in the MN legislation and Twin Cities community.

The January Board Education Session will be about justice and its role within the CSJ community and Accola. Marty will provide a presentation to Board members. The committee discussed topics that Marty can present. The subcommittee plans to meet with Marty again on December 12.

Bus Tour: The bus tour will take place on May 22, 2025 in the afternoon. The committee discussed the length of the tour, logistics, and availability of bus parking. Kris has called various bus companies and stated that at least one company has a minimum bus usage of 8 hours, which would cost \$1000. There was a conversation about booking the Celeste Hotel and possible usage of the Cathedral parking lot.

Question of Process for December Board Meeting

Susan suggested taking 15 minutes during the December Board meeting to ask people what they would like to know from the Mission Education Committee. People could talk in pairs and brainstorm topics. Karen suggested generating a couple of questions beforehand to open up discussions.

Next Meeting: December 16, 2024

Adjournment: The Mission Education Committee adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lacy Sietsema, Accola