



South Yarra Community Baptist Church

Decisions and Questions from the Host

Group Meeting

4 May 2016

Listed below are the main decisions and questions from our recent Host Group meeting. This is not the full minutes, but a summary of the main decisions and questions. In line with our church policy, these are circulated not only for your information, but to allow you to consider the decisions and ponder the questions and, if you have any concerns about any of them, to seek more information or ask for them to be reconsidered. Where possible, we will not implement the decisions for at least seven days, in order to allow time for people to respond. Questions or concerns can be raised with any member of the Host Group, or by emailing all of them at once at hosts@southyarrabaptist.church

Those in attendance at the recent meeting were Eliz Cook, Nathan Nettleton, Alison Sampson, Sylvia Sandeman, Shelley Taylor and Samara Pitt.

Summary of the Decisions and Questions

1. Our pastors' **superannuation** payments will be set up to be SuperStream compliant from 1 July.
2. Thanks to all who participated in the **Baptism workshop**, it was a rich conversation. A summary of the recommendations has been circulated. We would like to offer another opportunity for people to tease out some of the implications of these recommendations, in particular how baptism relates to membership and how members participate in the decision making of the church. The **July 17 workshop** will be on **how we do discernment communally**, and this will include discussion on the recommendations from the baptism workshop.
3. **Church camp** will go ahead on July 29-31 at Araluen Lutheran camp, Anglesea. Please let Sylvia know if you are coming or would like to help with organisation.
4. The church **website** has been revamped – check it out at southyarrabaptist.church. Thanks to Sina and Nathan for their work on this. If you notice anything that needs changing, please let Nathan know.
5. **Alison will finish her work at South Yarra** on June 19 (church anniversary) and will take some of her accrued leave before she begins at Warrnambool on July 17.
6. We have received no suggestions for any change to the **church covenant**, so we will readopt it as is at the anniversary service in June.
7. The **Enneagram workshop** will be held on **Sunday May 22** from **10am to 4pm** at the church. Those who want to participate will need to pay \$10 and complete an online survey before the workshop. Nathan will circulate information on this.

Next meeting: 1 June at 7.30pm at Nathan's house