



South Yarra Community Baptist Church

Decisions and Questions from the Host Group Meeting

2 May 2018

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 Nathan Nettleton, Eliz Cook, Shelley Taylor, Ian Cook, Sylvia Sandeman and Samara Pitt.

Summary of the Decisions and Questions

1. Ian has received some informal feedback on the draft plan for the **kitchen renovation**. If you wish to provide more detailed feedback in person, Ian will host a meeting on Sunday June 24 at 2:30pm.
2. The planned **storeroom refit** has become less urgent with the departure of the hall hirer who was the biggest user of storage space.
3. The hosts have drafted a **response to Jill Friebel's letter** of apology, as well as a letter for our congregation containing more information in response to concerns raised about this situation. Nathan will circulate these to anyone who wishes to see them, with the opportunity to voice any serious concerns about the letter to Jill before it is sent.
4. **Church camp** (August 24 – 26) will include members of Sanctuary Baptist this year.
5. Chris Barnden will continue as **Visiting Pastoral Overseer** for the congregation during his secondment to Global Interaction which ends in December, when he will return to his role as Regional Minister.
6. The **Ancient Wisdom workshop** has been scheduled for Sunday October 14.
7. The **combined churches feast of Ascension** is at Christ Church on Thursday May 10, 7pm. All encouraged to attend, let Nathan know if you are able to do the bible reading.
8. The second **Open Space conversation on membership pathways** is on Sunday May 20 at 12:30pm. Nathan will email the list with some themes that have emerged from our discussions so far. Please read the report that has been circulated and come with your thoughts, ideas and questions about how we can better live out our call to be Christ's people at South Yarra. All welcome, even if you didn't attend the first Open Space gathering on this topic. Let Nathan know if you are coming and if you can bring some food to share.
9. Thanks to Daniel and Lydia for organising **tea and cake in the church garden** last Sunday, the lemon meringue pie was delicious!

Next meeting: 6th June 2018, 7:30pm