



South Yarra Community Baptist Church

Decisions and questions from the Host

Group Meeting

5 August 2015

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 them. If you have any concerns about any of the decisions, you are encouraged 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, Samara Pitt, and Ian Cook (from 9pm)

Summary of the Decisions

1. SYCBC adopted the BUV Safe Church policy in the past, but it has been superceded by a new Safe Church policy, so the congregation needs to formally adopt the new one. It commits the host group to going to a safe church training session once every 3 years. Everyone except Alison, Steven and Samara has been in the last 2 years, but we agreed we should all go within the next 6 months. **Samara** to send around dates.
2. **Church sign:** it was suggested that the sign could include 'welcome' in a number of languages that reflect local immigration/language patterns. Nathan has drafted a version and we will check that the words are appropriate with speakers of those languages. **Alison** will check the accuracy of the words where she can, the rest others can follow up or we can leave until Nathan gets back.
3. **Church Camp:** The church camp was very successful. Araluen works well for us and is now also part of the history so we would like to continue there. **Eliz** to book for 29/7/2016-31/7/2016.
4. **Advent workshop:** Matt Bell is booked to run this Confession to Atonement workshop on November 15.
5. **Host group review:** **Nathan** will ask Chris Barndon to Anne Spence to run this review on Sunday September 20 at 2pm with the host group.
6. **Lunch before AGM:** As the Flying Duck still seems to be closed for renovations, **Sylvia** will investigate Bridie O'Reilly's, the old South Yarra church site!

Next meeting: 9 September at 7:30pm at Nathan's house.