

**PROJECT PROMISE—FAITH & POVERTY SUBCOMMITTEE**  
**Minutes from July 29, 2009**

**Present:** Rev. Will Bloedow, Julie Coenen, Colleen Holz, Andrew Konkel, Rev. Gary Nokleberg, Connie Raether, Sandi Moore, Laurie Wilkinson. Copies to above, plus Sharon Cummings, Carrie Hanks, Joan Jensen, Helen McKean, Rev. John Slotten, Gwen Wegner.

**Purpose of Meeting:** To review Project Promise *The Faith to Face Poverty: A Call to Action* Faith & Poverty week kick-off held June 24 at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Appleton and to plan for ongoing activities into the fall..

**Review of June 24 event:** Approximately 35-40 people attended and the team felt it went well.

**Next steps:**

1. Andrew has since distributed all of the remaining media kits and met 1:1 with clergy from Medina to Kaukauna to Neenah. We need more binders.
  - Andrew will email all info and deliver remaining empty binders to Pastor Gary and Prince of Peace will make 25 sets of color copies.
  - After the materials are printed, Gary will contact Julie to make arrangements to have binders collated at LEAVEN.
  - When binders are done, Julie will let team know.
  - Meanwhile, Andrew will send Laurie information on all of the additional people he met with/gave binders to. She will update the master list and send Sandi a list of all the faith communities that still need to be contacted. Sandi will then divide the list by the 12 committee members and ask each to contact his/her share – in contacting them, we need to find out if they are interested and would like to meet to go over contents. Results will be emailed back to Laurie for inclusion in the master list.
2. Connie will create a draft commitment card and Sandi will create a draft letter to go with it, they will send to each other for review. Information on how to sign up for the Poverty Simulations (10/9 at Family Resource Center from 2-5 and 10/15 at FVTC from 5:30-8:30 will be included). They will then be sent to Pastor Gary for printing, then mailed to faith communities that have indicated interest in participation. Sandi will donate postage.
3. Publicity: Sandi will write a press release regarding *The Faith to Face Poverty: A Call to Action* Faith & Poverty week and send to all committee members, asking for email blasts. Sandi will send to United Way for inclusion in the Friday newsletter, WOMEN, and to WEMI, asking for promotion. Connie will publish in ESTHER newsletter. Will has talked to Sheryl Anderson at The P-C and will reconnect with her for pre- and during-event coverage.
4. CAP will coordinate registration for the 2 Poverty Simulations; Andrew said this probably will be handled by their new Project Coordinator Betsy Rozelle. Sandi will ask her September 15 Starting Point class if they would like to be some of the volunteers for the October 15 Poverty Simulation at FVTC and will let CAP know. Sandi will order room set-up (need to get information from Andrew on specifications) and ice water/cups.

**Next meeting:** We will meet at **FVTC in Room E121**, the Counseling Center, then get lunch from the cafeteria and bring it back to the E121 conference room at **11:45 a.m. on 9/9/09**. Come in Door 10 for easiest access.