

Friday

Arrive

Check-In

Teach newbie's

Elections con debrief

-Social Action

-Food Money

-Worship ran late

-Worship accessibility

-Touch group

-Coffee house

-Missing Adult Position

-Communication was Bad

-Adults giving advice at bad times

-Better Church Selections

Bed

Job Jots

- Eric advising for Mariah and Maggie with SDC planning
- Meg will update the dean bible
 - Deans usually have schedules finalized a day before, typing up and printing them out and posting them around church
- Empower Rudy, Alexa, Eric, Mia, Logan and Laura to form a task force to create a con cooking resource book

Drug Policies

- Last meeting- bylaws & drug policies: postponed because people from the last council meeting who felt strongly about the issue couldn't make it
- California law vs. Federal conflicting for use of medical pot

Elections Con Debrief

What went well?

1. Blanket fort went well x2
2. Felt like the entire community could participate in blanket fort
3. General positive atmosphere from last couple cons (good vibes)
4. Nom con handled everything really well
5. Nom con had thoughtful discussions
6. Budgets for workshops created
7. Food was good, especially the potatoes

8. More laid back than other cons have been in the past
9. Conferences have grown to be too overscheduled and this one was a fun con, normal conference
10. Toilets and no hill peeing, not too many issues with plumbing
11. Touch groups went really well, people said they enjoyed them
12. Food was delicious and on time
13. Dance was fun
14. Social Action went well, apparently people enjoyed it
15. People woke up when they were supposed to
16. Understanding of people who had the late night shifts, leaderships
17. More nominations than have been in the past
18. When cooks served portions food didn't run out

What could have been better?

1. During social action there were many people in the kitchen
2. Ran out of cash, spent all \$2,100 and then registration \$ had to reimburse adult gopher.
3. Many more people are paying with checks
4. Dance could have gone better, song transitions, dance cut short
5. Worship 2nd or 3rd night started really late x2
6. Bras made some adults uncomfortable
7. Room behind adult room, made some adults unhappy (location problem)
8. Uninformed touch group coordinator
9. Didn't have time to actually talk about what skit meant to us
10. Power shuffle worship could have been better, but lots of effort was put into it
11. 12 person touch group= too many people
12. Coffee house was really long
13. Workshop co didn't know what he was doing
14. Food shortages
15. 1 adult down missing position on council
16. Social action went long for people who didn't want to necessarily be there
17. Food communication was bad
18. Vegan food needs to be announced
19. Couple people who are gluten free or some free option we need to plan stuff for them
20. There wasn't any guidance on what exactly to do for the fort building activity

21. Deans were kind of disorganized (since Alexa was sick), people weren't on top of it in general
22. Communication inabilities
23. Adult gopher, not bad but not preferred
24. Worship accessibility problem
25. Adult Advisors sometimes gave feedback at inconvenient times.
26. Almost all of the leadership people were in the kitchen
27. Having con where you don't need the outside space for making it awesome- rain
28. Newcomer meeting??

Social Action

Since the Social Action event ran long, people didn't have enough time to reflect on it. There was an alternate activity planned, but it was screwed up and there was miscommunication on whether or not it was a required activity or not. Theoretically, there is always an alternate activity planned. In spite of Social Action running long, people wandered into the kitchen, which is a problem because it's for the cooks and not open to the whole con community as a whole.

-Deans usually have schedules finalized a day before, typing up and printing them out and posting them around church
add to dean bible

Ran out of money for food

The last elections con ran out of cash, which is expected for a conference that is a day longer than other conferences, to solve this we could simply ask Chuck for more money for all future elections conferences, instead of having the same budget for all conferences. More people have been paying in checks, which gives us an incentive to purchase the food before con begins, so we can prevent overspending. Having the Cooks serve the food, helps develop portions, which would help prevent people taking too much food and having some people go hungry.

Worship ran late

At Elections CON the worship ran late because there were last minute edit jobs done in attempt to create a more powerful worship. The Worship organizers took in account concerns about wording, and ended up spending a lot more extra time planning than intended.

Worship accessibility

Not all disabilities are visible, sitting or standing for long periods of time is difficult for some people. General agreement was to keep a couple of chairs on the side for people who need them

Touch group

CoCoCo's need to select touch group leaders based on qualifications and not on a first come first serve basis.

Long Coffee House

Problems with coffee house are inevitable, one way to help cut down the number of problems would be for the CoCoCo's to make sure that people are only in a couple of acts. If the CoCoCo's know how many people are in an act/ who is in it then they have a better sense in how long coffee house is going to be. For example, having people write their name and how long their act is on the sign-up sheet.

Missing Adult Position

We don't want to put an adult on council because we need an extra person. We want adults who want to be on council and reach out to the community; we had one adult that we could have used. Some aren't super involved in community yet and they aren't comfortable with it.

Communication at meals was bad

Cooks should delegate people to serve portions for people at meals, so that food doesn't run out. Talking louder and making announcements throughout the food line to ensure that everyone hears the announcement for meals helps with creating better communication with the overarching con community.

Adults giving feedback during inconvenient times

Some adults were giving feedback to leaders during inconvenient times, a solution to this would be to make clear to the adults that they should talk to the adult coordinating position if a problem arises unless its super urgent (which is rare).

Better Church Selections

Certain churches are better during different times of the year, the CoCoCo's try to keep in mind the church selection, but we can't be picky about which church we get.

Saturday

Planning future Cons' and Council Meetings

Goals and Purposes

Bra Issue

Closed session

Cook training

Touch group co

Goals and purposes 2011-2012

- SDC
- More people getting drivers licenses (over 18)
- More trained cooks for larger sizes, adjustment
- More tradition of training people for more stuff
- Choosing based upon merit not just who asks first
- Reaffirming youth empowerment and leadership
- Creating a more bonded but larger community in a more successfully
- Continue the outreach that has been happening
- Successfully doing the whole Hawaii fundraiser and doing wuuky hawaiiiness
- Not avoiding the hardships
- Getting drug policies figured out
- Not spending a lot of time on the little things being more efficient
- Starting meetings on time
- Having churches more than two months in advance
- Making the website more well known
- Having more stuff submitted to GRUUST
- Continue to make social action part of our community
- Continue spirituality and worship
- Continue to increase/ transfer stuff to the larger community

Bra issue

There are currently no rules in place about attire, however at the last con questions were raised about Shirtless o clock. At least one youth confided in an adult that they were uncomfortable along with other concerns from adults who were worried about pictures and random people walking into church. However, an argument was raised that shirtless o clock supports youth empowerment and that it is great for us to have a community in which people feel safe enough to expose

themselves in a way that is generally shunned from society. Just telling people not to take pictures of people shirtless could be a solution but it would be difficult to fully enforce. Overall, the general say was for the photographers to avoid putting pictures of shirtless o'clock on facebook and that it is highly recommended for girls to wear sport bras for shirtless o'clock.

Closed Session

Cook Training

Council had started a con cookbook with basic guidelines. Council voted to empower: Rudy, Alexa, Eric, Mia, Logan and Laura to form a task force to finish the con cookbook. The idea of a cook training conference arose, however awesome it might be the expenses would be really high, and it's unlikely to actually happen.

Touch Group co

At recent Con's the position of a Touch group leader has become an introductory act, but it is actually a very advanced position. A touch group coordinator should be familiar with the con community and should be willing to send the CoCoCo's a list of groups and mealtime cleanups before the conference. A Touch group coordinator needs to be willing to train people and be organized. The CoCoCo's will probably start having old touch groups on file, so that they can mix them up a bit.

Proposal

Update our description of the touch group coordinator to involve the following: primary jobs are to assign touch groups to con attendee's, the Touch Group Coordinator should be immersed within the community, to ensure touch group diversity e.g. have a variety of people from different churches, and separating friendships and sending the list of people in the touch group to the CoCoCo's before the conference starts, and keeping the list afterwards to make sure that its passed on to next leaders and training the touch group leaders if necessary.

Consensus

Planning Future Con's

20-22 May: Spirituality CON- location is San Mateo

19-21 August: Summer CON

21-23 October: FalCON

17-22 February: Elections CON

Future Council Meetings

April 30th

July 6th

September 30- October 2nd Council Retreat

February 4th

May 18-22nd: Council Retreat