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Steering Committee Meeting, 10/6/2022 via zoom

Attendance: Maddie, Barbara, Christina, Jon, Richard, Mike, Joel, Cindy, Jack, Colleen

**Webmaster**- Joel is playing around with new version of website and will have it up and running soon.

Mike changed the event section on website to provide links to each event. Mike will add links for people to find financial resources. The addition of a link for FundFinder will allow patients to find financial help by entering the name of the disease.

**Diversity committee**: Established a connection for outreach at the Enon Babtist Tabernacle Church. More info to come, the committee will soon get together.

**Programs:** Our October meeting will have 2 break out sessions for 25 minutes each and a time when we are all together to discuss certain questions presented to the group.

November will feature Christina informing us about insurance and financial issues.

December- hoiday theme, but sending out a survey to see how many would be open to meeting in person at The Cancer Support Community. More info to follow.

January will be patient/caregiver split and a speaker from the LLS on patient services

February will be a program reporting on findings from ASH.

Christina will poll the group for suggestions of other topics for meetings.

**Communications**

MIDAS- some emails not delivered, Barbara will follow up and find phone numbers for those that bounce and see if the person is still interested and update an email.

**IMF Leader Retreat:**

The IMF is looking for volunteers to tell their story. Contact Robyn levy

The IMF is looking for feedback from group leaders to put together a virtual program on resilience.

We talked about a topic presented from the IMF on Toxic Positivity. Christina wrote a blog on this topic which can be found: https//blog.oncolink.org/2016/07/take-thecancer-game/

**Technology:**

We may set up a new Zoom account with a new email address which the steering committee will have access to, which will allow others the ability to facilitate the meetings virtually. If we do meet at St Joe again, we can think about hiring someone to help facilitate the zoom meeting while the in person meeting is taking place.

**Meeting Space:**

We will survey the group to find out who is comfortable with meeting in person, hybrid meetings or zoom only.

We will reapply with St Joe to see if we can use their space for our meetings again. We will need insurance, with the facility listed on the policy. Jack, Phil, Maddie and Richard will look into the type of insurance needed and see if we can use the company Dave Dearden set up for us.

We will consider other meeting places, also. Jack suggested having our December meeting in person, possibly at the Cancer Support Community in Fairmount Park, and we will poll members to find out about interest in doing that. If we meet in person, it is agreed that we will not have food unless everything is individually wrapped.

We can attain stats from the IMF about how other support groups are meeting: in-person, hybrid or virtual only.

**Finances:**

There is $1900 in petty cash, and $6373 held by the IMF for our group.