**LCR Youth and Scrip Policy Proposal**

Meeting March 6, 2022

**Scrip:**

1. Required balance to “float” the high volume of scrip card purchases prior to both Easter and Christmas. Will get and average for a few years prior to 2022. Last couple years are not good to use.
2. Scrip was used to fund “Extra Youth” assets. Physical “things” needed for the youth lounge.
3. Need funds to pay for upgrades and replacements in Youth Lounge. Have been trying to increase the saving on this as more things will need replacing in the future.
4. One time, did allow kids to fund-raise by specific Scrip purchases (like St Cats did). This was for a very big cost trip. Most kids did not really participate or raise much. One child paid their entire trip in this way. Very difficult to track and need good reporting.

**Youth Account:**

1. Fund for Mission trips and Youth Gathering, most of the cost needs to be paid prior to the trip and usually before much fund-raising takes place. In the past, fund-raising was done for the next trip not the current trip. “Pay Forward” approach.
2. Church operating Fund was providing a lot of the savings in the past. This has decreased significantly so Youth will need to “make up the difference”.
3. In the past had more children going. Not the case currently. Need to be prepared for more children for future trips? How many? What was average?
4. Tried to have ½ of cost paid by the families with children going and ½ fund-raising. This is important to teach the children and also to get a firm commitment on who was going.
5. Fund for children who couldn’t go “scholarship fund” type thing. Not for parents.
6. Who goes and is paid for?
	1. Per Pastor, Youth Gathering required 1 adult for each 7 children. Need to verify. What could be other trip requirements such as John Mantey/John Kirk? They drove separately and paid their own way.
	2. Youth Lead Pastor or person is first to go.
	3. Parents cost ½ pay and ½ fund-raising. Same reason as children. Only those needed. All others pay their full way.
	4. What about children with “special needs”?