Newsletter November 2015





Kester Wilkening WestRock Council Chairperson



& Small Groups Committee



Vice Chairperson & Sunday Service Committee



Justin Okamoto Secretary & Outreach Committee



Jessica Sattinger Treasurer & Finance Committee



Steve Honey Councilor & Facilities Committee





Akiko Morris Councilor & Education Committee

Elisa Hack Councilor & Member Care Committee

Oct. 13th COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING OVERVIEW

Our most recent Council business meeting took place at the White House on Oct. 15th. Apart from our usual review of action items, committee reports, and proposals, we were able to use our meeting time to finalize the WestRock Council Vision and Mission Statements we began drafting at our September retreat. Here are the final versions ~

> **Vision Statement** Our vision is for the WestRock Council to be an effective and authentic team that represents the WestRock community, and for the Council members to feel energized, joyful, and honored to be on the Council.

Mission Statement (2015-2017) **Our mission** is to be a driving force for the community, and to support the Head Pastor, by establishing a clear organizational structure and thriving financial base, resulting in a vibrant, God-centered culture within our families and community.

In addition to completing our vision and mission statements, the council spent time reviewing our finances and discussing upcoming events.

In particular, Rev. Kone and Kester initiated the Volunteer Appreciation and Open House event to be held at Belvedere after church on November 22nd. Several other council members are involved in organizing that event - so please don't miss it!

NEXT COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

Our next Council business meeting is currently scheduled for Tuesday Nov. 17th, from 7:30 to 9:30pm, at the White House. **IMPORTANT NOTE FOR VISITORS:** Visitors are very welcome - but please be aware that our agenda is usually very full. Visitors should



least one week before the meeting to suggest an issue to be discussed or to be given time to express an opinion.

VISION MEETING HELD Oct. 24th

The council business meetings are consumed by making decisions on day to day affairs. We hold our "vision" meetings to discuss our hopes, concerns and vision for the WestRock community. During this particular meeting, held at the White House on Oct. 24th, we discussed ways to develop a "family" feeling in our community. Among other ideas, small groups were proposed as a way to more deeply connect with each other.

We also discussed and plan to implement Genie Kagawa's initiative to creating a new subgroup of our finance committee, called the "development committee". This committee will be responsible for fundraising efforts to benefit WestRock.

The WestRock Council welcomes your input!

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