

Heartland Faithful Emmaus Community Board Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2010

Attending: Andy Baumert, Ron Blue, Dean Bower, Jim Daugherty, Lisa Freeburg, Bob Hennings, Scott Herring, Fred Pilecki, and Les Reimer (presiding).

Les Reimer called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM in Room 227 at Faith-Westwood UMC. Pastor Pilecki offered the Opening Prayer.

A quorum of the Board is ten members. Only nine were present so no actions could be taken. Approval of the Treasurer's Report and January minutes were tabled until the March meeting.

Old Business:

- 1 **Update on Review of Community Accounting / Finances:** Les Reimer reported that he had contacted the accountant performing the review. She has not been able to complete the review due to balancing several priorities at work, including tax season.
- 2 **Board Training Session:** A general discussion concluded that the January 30 training was a day well-spent. All Board members had attended. Marv Dorsey asked Carleen Alderman to clear up a question about whether the hand cross was carried by the first speaker. Carleen answered that all speakers should carry the hand cross and wear their Emmaus crosses. A second question was whether Table Leaders should be housed with the Pilgrims. Carleen responded that TL's and ATL's should be housed with the Pilgrims when possible. A third question asked who should be invited to the Walk Follow-Up meeting. Carleen said the meeting should be open to the entire community.
- 3 **Annual Community Picnic:** A concern was raised about whether scheduling the August Picnic had been a Board action or simply a few members "pushing" the Community in that direction. A review of past actions showed that a picnic had been proposed and approved.

New Business:

- 1 **Spiritual Directors for Walks #4 & #5:** Bob Hennings provided a list of clergy connected to the Community. The Board discussed parameters for selecting Spiritual Directors for the Walks. The consensus was that Pastor Pilecki would contact Pastor Bob Neben, Pastor Mike Stevens, Pastor Craig Finnestad, and

Pastor Vickie Steffes, in that order, to obtain commitments to serve as Walk Spiritual Directors.

- 2 **Dates for Team Selection Meetings:** Setting Team Selection meeting dates was tabled until Linda Riley can be contacted.
- 3 **Volunteer Signup Forms:** Les Reimer will insure Volunteer Signup Forms (Emmaus Coordinator's Manual, Appendix K) will be available at Gatherings.
- 4 **Support for Our Regional IAC Member:** Les Reimer suggested that the Heartland Faithful Emmaus Community financially support Marv Dorsey to attend the annual International Advisory Committee meeting. It will be held in Nashville, Tennessee in April.
- 5 **April Board Meeting Date:** The Board will meet April 9 rather than April 2. Good Friday is April 2.

Committee Reports

- 1 **Supply/Literature:** Scott Herring presented an invoice for Walk to Emmaus purple books, and a receipt for supplies for the trailer.
- 2 **Gatherings:** Dean Bower will be generating a request for host churches for Gatherings for May 21, September 17, and November 19. A new initiative will be to encourage smaller churches to partner to host the Gatherings.

Pastor's Points

Pastor Pilecki read James 1:9, 10 - The brother in humble circumstances ought to take pride in his high position. But the one who is rich should take pride in his low position, because he will pass away like a wild flower.

His advice to us was to remain humble and be supportive of the other members of the Board. He added that our purpose is to serve the Pilgrims.

Volunteer to Make Announcements at the February Gathering: Ron Blue will make the Board announcements at the February Gathering.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Pilecki offered the Closing Prayer.

Next Meeting: Friday, March 5, 2010 at 6:30 PM at Faith-Westwood UMC.

Adjournment: Les Reimer adjourned the meeting at 7:56 PM.