

Heartland Faithful Emmaus Community Board Meeting Minutes  
February 4, 2011

Attending: Ron Blue, Pastor Craig Collins, DR Correll, Jim Daugherty, Dan DeLuna, Doug Jones (presiding), Jacob Malousek, Jeanne Morrison, Tara Otis, Kathy Petersen, Diane Peterson, Les Reimer, Linda Riley, and Owen Wilcox.

There were no guests.

Doug Jones called the meeting to order at 6:39 PM in the conference Room at Faith-Westwood UMC. Pastor Craig Collins offered the opening prayer.

**Secretary's Report:** The January 7, 2011 minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Old Balance	\$12,108.86
Deposits	289.00
Withdrawals	-2,058.80
New Balance	\$10,339.06

Ron Blue stated that he has copies of the 2010 financial records available for review. Additionally, he has copies of the expenses for Walks 4 & 5. The report was approved.

**Old Business:**

- 1. Update on Final Costs for Walks 4 and 5:** Continued from the January 7 Board meeting. Les spoke with Pete Hoskins at Gene Eppley Camp and Pete accepted our check for \$2050. The cost of the Walk per pilgrim was discussed. Weekend expenses were broken down and discussed. Discussion continued on cost per person for anonymous servants. Tara Otis made the motion that the costs charged for pilgrims would be \$100 and team members and anonymous servants would be charged \$80. Jeanne Morrison seconded the motion and the Board approved the costs.
- 2. New Board Member Training:** The New Board Member Training took place on January 29, 2011 at the home of Kathy Petersen. Les Reimer skillfully led the training. Pages 20 and 21 of the Walk to Emmaus Board of Directors pamphlet regarding "Duties of Board Members" were review and discussed. There was great discussion and some very good question and answer time. Doug Jones has generously donated a projector to the Heartland Faithful Emmaus Community.

## **New Business:**

### **1. Confirm Lay and Spiritual Directors for Walks #6 & #7:**

Jason Buss has accepted the call to serve as the Lay Director for Men's Walk #6 and Julie Baumert has accepted the call to serve as the Lay Director for Women's Walk #7. Spiritual Directors for the weekends have not been announced.

### **2. Members of the Team Selection Committee:**

The following people will serve with Lisa Freeburg on the Team Selection Committee: Pastor Craig Collins, Doug Jones, Julie Baumert, Jason Buss, and Kris Eschliman. The meeting is scheduled for February 19 at 9:00 a.m. at Lisa's house.

## **Committee Reports**

- 1. Agape:** Linda has received many requests for Agape letters to other communities. She will contact Ron Gaddis and Scott Herring and get samples of letters to send.
- 2. Facilities:** Owen will form a team for Walks #6 & #7 to help with pre-walk clean up, set up and tear down.
- 3. Kitchen:** No report.
- 4. Music / Entertainment:** Dan has some men in mind to serve as musicians on the next Men's Walk. He will need assistance in getting names of women that would be willing to serve on the Women's Walk.
- 5. Prayer:** No report
- 6. Sponsors' Hour / Candlelight:** No report.
- 7. Registrar:** There are already 2 or 3 men's applications and 2 women's applications for the upcoming Walks.
- 8. Supply/Literature:** The Community may start bringing their donations of books to the Gatherings. This will give the Board ample time to review the books before the Walks.
- 9. Group Reunions:** Jeanne reported that there are 27 group reunions. She made contact with the leader (or a member) of each group. There are 191 people active in groups that meet together in person. There is one group online and one group that meets on the telephone.

**10. Gatherings:** The next Gathering is February 18 at Living Faith UMC with the Iowa churches serving as the hosts. Kathy gave a brief report on what the model is for a Gathering. It was determined that we need to add an "Education Moment" to our Gatherings. Kathy will provide the "Education Moment" at the February Gathering.

**11. Newsletter / Communications:** Jim contacted Kris Eschliman about her willingness to continue sending out Emmaus prayer requests. She will continue to do so. Jim contacted Andy Baumert about his willingness to continue maintaining the website. He will continue to do so. There was discussion as to what should be posted on the website and what is put into the newsletter. It was moved and seconded that the current bank balance should not be posted as a separate item in the newsletter. Everyone concurred. The current financial status is always in the monthly minutes and those minutes are for Community review on the Heartland Faithful website. Jim presented a proposal on the Costs of Owning Heartland Faithful.org. This would allow the community to move the current website host from godaddy.com to 1and1.com. After discussion and reviewing the options, it was moved and seconded to purchase the \$120 per year plan from 1and1.com which is also virus and spam protected. The vote was unanimous to purchase the new plan. Details of the new plan are on file with the minutes.

**12. Team Selection:** No report.

**13. Pastor's Points:** Pastor Craig shared some wonderful insights from his recent trip to Israel. "The olive press symbolized for me the sins of humanity being pressed down upon Jesus. Just as the oil that came from the olive brings blessings upon blessings, so is the saving power of Christ on the cross. I thought of the passage in Luke where Jesus was praying in the garden and his sweat was like great drops of blood, because of the weight of the sins of the world being pressed down upon him. Under that pressure Jesus submitted to the will of his Father in heaven when he said, 'Not what I want, but may Your will be done.' When we face trials in life, even regular everyday choices, may we have the same fortitude and commitment to submit to the Father's will."

**Volunteer to Make Announcements at the February 18 Gathering:** Linda Riley will make the Board announcements.

**Closing Prayer:** Pastor Craig Collins offered the Closing Prayer.

**Next Meeting:** Friday, March 4, 2011 at 6:30 PM at Faith-Westwood UMC.

**Adjournment:** Doug adjourned the meeting at 8:39 PM.