

## **Minutes: Heartland of Texas Emmaus Community Executive Board**

Burnet First United Methodist Church

February 5, 2019      7:00 p.m.

**Attendees:** Richard Wendrock, Janice Hinojosa, David Hinojosa, Susan Nevills, Ti Mynk, Allen Mynk, Jason Teague, Angie Martinez, JoAnn Dilworth, Suzanne Taylor, Tom Bornschein, Kelsey Mills, Troy Ellett, Susan Ellett, Jesse Martinez

**Opening Prayer:** At 7:02 p.m. David Hinojosa opened the meeting with a prayer.

**Minutes:** The January 8, 2019 minutes were read. A motion to accept was made, seconded, and passed.

**HOTEC SD Comments:** As we renew UR covenant, some of rules have changed .... About relearning and reconnecting with who we are as a Fourth Day Group....Psalm 33:4-5...Keep our eyes on connecting with God and be open where God leads

**Treasurer's Report:** Susan has misplaced the deposit slip for the last North deposit and will correct that from the next bank statement. A motion to accept as presented was made, seconded and passed.

### **Old Business:**

- **Update on 2019 M Walk:**
  - We have 11 applications. Full team meeting will be on March 9 at FUMC Burnet.
  - Jason questioned scholarship policy guidelines. Susan reported that we have about \$8500 in the scholarship fund and have provided about 5 per walk for the last two walks. We have a scholarship committee but most request forms are not completed. Discussion included that our expectation has been for sponsor and/or pilgrim to pay at least \$25.00 toward the cost and that we need to enforce that. Susan is working on a cost breakdown and we may be able to reduce the cost from \$185 per pilgrim to \$175 .

### **New Business:**

- **Discussion of second Gathering at Bee Creek:** Kelsey requested that the board add a second gathering during the month of October at Bee Creek, giving Bee Creek two gatherings during the year instead of one for the purpose of increasing their participation. This would be on a trial basis for this year only and would give us three gatherings during October: one North, one South in MF and one South in Bee Creek. Jason said that this is adequate notice for him to get it on his calendar or get another clergy member to attend and would need to be pending band approval. A motion was made, seconded and passed with one opposed. Troy asked if Llano dates could be added to the website, and Allen will add those to weekly reminders.
- **Providing Team Manuals:** The cost for providing team manuals to a full team would be \$150. At the 2018 W Walk, Suzanne said that most team members bought their own. Points of discussion included that the cost of a book is \$10 and that UR intends for each team member to invest in your own book and keep it throughout your Emmaus work. No action was taken.
- **One year subscription to UR for pilgrims:** Supplying each pilgrim a one-year subscription to UR would cost \$503. Points of discussion included what a great resource UR is and that members of the UR database have access to a daily digital copy. While our treasurer's report looks like we

have quite a bit of money, we will have a lot of expenses with the two walks. The board decided to table this item until April.

- Website updates: Richard was able to purchase the software subscription for \$224 rather than the original cost (\$249) but we will need to get the calendar pro app, as well. This app will be free as long as we keep a link at the bottom of the calendar. A motion was made, seconded and passed to keep this link on our online calendar. Richard said that the prayer vigil calendar looks a little weird but is up on the website. Janice said that the Agape sign-up is amazing!
- Training: Jason will be trained by UR to serve as community spiritual leader and, once trained, will be able to train other clergy; This will be done by late March at the earliest but will give us some additional flexibility in the future.
- 2019 W Walk: Anne Kuhlman is communicating with Jason and Ti regarding 2019 W walk. As Lay Director, she will have input into team selection but final decisions are the responsibility of the placement committee. The focus right now is on the 2019 M Walk.
- Other:
  - Troy said that replacing the needed golf cart seat will cost about the same as renting a cart. A motion was made, seconded and passed to rent a golf cart for the men's walk and postpone purchasing a replacement seat.
  - Allen asked about the possibility of sending minutes to him in advance to allow board members to review them before each month's meeting. JoAnn will send minutes to him no later than the Monday before each meeting.
  - Alan discussed the possibility of sending digital letters to pilgrims and sponsors rather than mailed letters. This would allow a faster turn-around time, and he would be able to follow up with any that are not read or were returned. A motion was made, seconded and passed to allow digital communications.
  - Ti has the new UR covenant that all board members will need to read and sign. Allen will send a digital copy to each of the board members to read before the next meeting, and we will sign them at that meeting. The signed copy must be returned by March 31.
  - Angie asked if Karen Eaton is still a board member. Ti will follow up with her.

**Adjournment:** At 8:02 p.m. Kelsey prayed us out.

**Next HOTECH E-Board Meeting:** March 5, 2019 at 7 p.m. at FUMC Burnet