

Minutes: Heartland of Texas Emmaus Community Executive Board – Special Meeting

Zoom Meeting

January 20, 2021, 7:00 PM

Attendees: JoAnn Dilworth, Troy Ellet, Rich Gilchrist, Penny Mills, Allen Mynk, Ti Mynk, Grady Roe, and Tom Ruiz

Opening: Tom Ruiz called the meeting to order at 7:12.

Special Meeting: This special meeting was called by Tom via an e-mail sent on January 17 (attached) to discuss the Men's & Women's Walks to be held in 2021.

- Tom has been in regular contact with The Upper Room regarding the holding of walks in the current COVID-19 environment.
- The lay director in North Houston has contacted Tom to discuss the walks. Their walks are after ours and they will follow our lead.
- The Walk is a very spiritual event and we need to remove all distractions. The current COVID-19 protocols represent a significant distraction.
- JoAnn contacted Eagle's Wings. They are OK with us postponing the Men's Walk in April.
- We already have September 16-19 reserved for the Women's Walk.
- We have second choice on two October dates; the 14th through the 17th and the 21st through the 24th. We will take the date not chosen by the organization with first choice.
- A proposal was made to hold the Men's Walk in September and the Women's Walk in October.
- The vote was unanimous to adopt this proposal.
- Lay Directors Matt Schuessler and Paula Mays-Hall are on board with this.
- Teams will have to be reconvened – we're not sure at this point who is available and who isn't. These efforts will likely start in the July timeframe, subject to the state of the virus, vaccinations, etc. at that time.
- Allen mentioned the need to push for pilgrim applications, probably via a mail drive.
- Tom adjourned the meeting 7:38.

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Gilchrist, Secretary

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