

Minutes: Heartland of Texas Emmaus Community Executive Board Meeting

April 4, 2022, 7:00 PM, Burnet FUMC

Attendees: Tom Bornschein, JoAnn Dilworth, Troy Ellet, Rich Gilchrist, Mary Gonzalez, Robert Hall, Kelsey Mills, Bob Munsey, Allen Mynk, Mike Olsen, Laura Orr, Jason Teague

Special guest: E.B. Reddoch

1. JoAnn called the meeting to order at 7:01 and Jason opened us in prayer.
2. March Minutes:
 - a. No changes were proposed.
 - b. Troy motioned to accept the March minutes. Mike seconded the motion. The vote to accept the minutes passed unanimously.
3. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. JoAnn's computer crashed (thankfully, not the weekend of the Walk), so the report didn't have its usual detail.
 - b. The Men's Walk expenses were ≈ \$2,600, with ≈ \$2,400 more for Eagle's Wings. The Walk more or less broke even.
 - c. The expenses did not include any costs for securing Burnet First UMC for Candlelight. The church doesn't charge HOTEK, but in the past, we have made \$100 donations. This has not happened since JoAnne has been treasurer. It is something to consider for the future.
4. Ministry Manager:
 - a. Allen has entered all the pilgrim and volunteer data from the Men's Walk into the Ministry Manager software platform. He's also entered them into a spreadsheet as a backup. There is a bug in the system and the IT support is located in Ukraine.
 - b. Allen has secured our Upper Room number, so we can now order supplies.
5. Bylaws Committee Update:
 - a. The Bylaws Committee (Ti, Kelsey, and Mike) met during the past month and have drafted a proposal.
 - b. The current bylaws state that changes to the bylaws have to be read aloud at a meeting. However, this is not a simple change. It's a complete re-write.
 - c. Tom motioned that we suspend this rule. Kelsey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
 - d. We will hold off on slotting people into 2 or 3 year terms for now, as this is addressed in the revised bylaws.
 - e. The revised bylaws must be approved by a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of the board and then be presented to the community at large.
6. Board Positions:
 - a. Treasurer:
 - i. Laura volunteered to assume the position of Treasurer and agreed to a 3 year term. Jason made a motion to nominate her. Troy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
 - b. North Coordinator:
 - i. Duties of a coordinator include:
 1. Securing a pastor for the monthly gathering.
 2. Procuring the juice and the bread for communion.
 3. Securing the musicians.
 4. Securing the 4th Day speaker.
 5. Emceeding the gathering.
 6. Set up and clean up for food.

- ii. Mary volunteered to be the North Coordinator. Tom made a motion to nominate her. Mike seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Assistant Lay Director:
 - i. Mike volunteered to be the Assistant Lay Director. Kelsey made a motion to nominate him. Robert seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
 - d. With these 3 positions filled, all board positions are now filled!
7. Other:
- a. JoAnn brought up something she heard and wanted to bring it to our attention so that we're all on the same page and it doesn't devolve into a situation like we experience a couple of years ago.
 - b. She heard though the grapevine that the outside coordinator had to first be on the inside team.
 - c. She did extensive research, including checking with the Upper Room, and wasn't able to substantiate that claim.
 - d. This makes sense. Not everyone is comfortable working on the inside team and this shouldn't preclude them from serving and utilizing their gifts.
8. Closing remarks:
- a. Everyone is encouraged to read both the current bylaws ([click here](#) to view the current bylaws) and the proposed bylaws (hard copies were distributed, but will also be e-mailed to all board members).
 - b. JoAnn expressed her heartfelt gratitude for all of the board members.
9. JoAnn adjourned the meeting at 7:55 and Troy closed us in prayer.
10. JoAnn immediately asked to re-convene the meeting to discuss the Lay Director for the Men's Walk 2023.
- a. Russell Cochrane and David Hinojosa were considered.
 - b. Russell of the most ready.
 - c. Mike made a motion to nominate Russell as the Lay Director for the Men's Walk 2023. Tom seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
11. JoAnn re-adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Gilchrist, Secretary

April 5, 2022