

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

April 3, 2023, 7:00 PM, Burnet FUMC

**Attendees:** Rich Gilchrist, Mary Gonzalez, Roberta Goodman, Robert Hall, Bob Munsey, Laura Orr

**Guests:** Troy Ellet, Kelsey Mills

1. Bob called the meeting to order at 7:03 and Roberta opened us in prayer.
2. March Minutes:
  - a. Robert motioned to accept the March minutes, Mary seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
3. Treasurer's Report:
  - a. The checking balance of 26,306.15 is as of March 31.
  - b. A deposit for the Women's Walk has already been received.
  - c. Laura doesn't know the process for making an Upper Room donation, so those funds remain in the account.
  - d. A payment of \$228 was made for the texting service.
  - e. Form 990 was filed in March.
4. Men's Walk 2023 update:
  - a. 20 confirmed pilgrims. There may be 22 or 23.
  - b. Robert has a form awaiting a pastor's signature.
5. Text update:
  - a. It will cost an additional \$2,117 per year to get auto and mass texting. The total cost is about \$2,500 per year.
  - b. Without these additional features, texts would have to be sent individually, which isn't practical.
  - c. Rich will ask Richard Wendrock if he's aware of any services.
  - d. We will continue the discussion at the next board meeting.
6. Reunion Group update:
  - a. Tom Bornshein suggested setting up tables at the walk where representatives from the various groups could be there. The room is a bit tight for that.
  - b. We need Richard's list sorted by men's groups and women's groups. It should also be sorted by zip code.
  - c. Closed groups need to be removed from the list handed to pilgrims.
  - d. We will ask Richard to do this.
7. Other:
  - a. Bob would like printed material on Emmaus from the Upper Room. Mary will look into it.
  - b. Troy thinks we have about 400 on the trailer. He's not sure if it's the same thing. Troy will get a copy to Bob.
  - c. There was a discussion about the May gathering being held at Bee Creek UMC because of the UMC issues. The consensus was that it won't be an issue.
  - d. Mary will give Bob a list of the 4<sup>th</sup> Day speakers. They have been secured for the next 4 or 5 gatherings.
  - e. Austin Emmaus Community – send a message to the HOTEK community encouraging them to come to Candlelight on May 6 at Eagle's Wings at 7:00.
  - f. Bob did not have any closing remarks.
8. Troy closed us in prayer and Bob closed the meeting at 7:46

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Gilchrist, Secretary

April 24, 2023