

**MINUTES OF SUPERIORLAND EMMAUS BOARD MEETING
WOODLAND CHURCH, MICHIGAMME, MI
APRIL 08, 2017**

Opening Prayer: Gary Lubinski offered opening prayer.

Call of Order: Gary Lubinski called the meeting of April 8, 2017 to order at 12:10 PM.

Roll Call: Members present include: Jim Baker, Ron Fike, Gary Lubinski, Barb Merlo, Jill Paris, Emily Ritsema, Jane Romback, Paula Ross, Jan Stone, Marcia Waters, Happy Wahmhoff, and Chuck Yaeger. Members absent include: Mike Deatrack, Marvin LaGrew, Jane Taylor, and Randy Yelle. Guests present include: Barb Fike, Steve Ritsema and Sally Wahmhoff.

Agenda – approval/additions: Add: Upper Room Covenant – Needs Signatures, Emmaus Walk Group Picture, and Handling of the Merchandise. Barb Merlo made a motion, support by Jane Romback to approve the agenda with the additions. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Secretary’s Minutes of January 7, 2017 as presented: Ron Fike made a motion, supported by Happy Wahmhoff to approve the Minutes of January 7, 2017 as presented. All voted “aye”. Motion Carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Chuck Yaeger presented the Treasurer’s Report. As of April 8, 2017, Checking Account balance was \$11,529.12; Savings Account balance was \$209.21; and the Chrysalis CD balance was \$5,443.38. Treasurer Chuck Yaeger reported that \$546.00 was sent to Upper Room for the payment of pilgrim dues (current & previously owed). Jim Baker made a motion, supported by Jill Paris to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Chairman’s Report: Gary Lubinski spoke with several churches regarding insuring Emmaus as a rider on their insurance. The insurance carriers would not write a policy/rider with the church’s existing insurance policy. Gary did have a proposal from Reliance Agency for \$595.00, for Emmaus to have their own policy, with a half million in liability coverage. After additional discussion, it was suggested Gary check with Camp Michigamme and the Upper Room for insurance coverage options. Paula Ross made a motion, supported by Barb Merlo to table the insurance coverage to the next meeting. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

June 24th 11:00 Board Meeting and 12:30 Trailer Inventory with Community Gathering & Cookout: This is just a reminder to get the word out to other Community Members. It will be in the Newsletter and on the Website.

Previous Superiorland Emmaus Guidelines – Complied by Barb Merlo, Condensed by Gary Lubinski: Everyone is asked to review the “Emmaus Guidelines” for approval at the next meeting.

Team Selection Committee: The Woman’s Team is set. Thank you, Barb Merlo. Marcia Waters made a motion, supported by Jan Stone to approve Jill Paris as the Woman’s Board Representative. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Jane Romback made a motion, supported by Jan Stone to appoint Paula Ross the Chairperson of Team Selection, and Barb Merlo to be a Consultant. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

New Location for the Second Emmaus Overnight on Friday, August 11, 2017: Marcia Waters made a motion, supported by Jill Paris to have the second Emmaus overnight at Gwinn UMC. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Fall Walks: Marcia Waters reported there are no pilgrims registered, with deposit made. There are numerous reports of interested pilgrims, and the need to get the pilgrims registered. The board members will be putting out requests for golf carts and/or side-by-sides 4-wheelers to use at both walks, and this request will also be published in the next newsletter.

Letter from Chrysalis Former Board President Requesting use of Previous Donated Funds: This will be tabled to next meeting since Randy Yelle is not here to provide information he may or may not have obtained on the direction we should go with these funds.

Review Randy Yelle's Draft Revision of Superiorland Emmaus Bylaws for Next Meeting: We will go through the Draft Revision of the Bylaws, line item by line item. Study the Draft Revision of the Bylaws and be ready for the next meeting on June 24, 2017 at 11:00.

Upper Room Covenant – Needs Signatures: This was passed around for all to sign as the meeting was in process. All signed.

Emmaus Walk Group Picture: The discussion was if only one picture of the whole group should be taken or if we should continue to take two pictures, one of the pilgrims and one of the team. After much discussion Barb Merlo wants to be on record that she does not agree with all in one picture at the Emmaus Walks. This will be discussed more at the next meeting. There was mixed opinions on this issue. It needs thought and prayer.

Handling of the Merchandise: It was the consensus of the Board that the handling of the merchandise needs be done by a sitting Emmaus board representative. Ron Fike made motion, supported by Jill Paris to appoint Jan Stone as our representative on merchandise. Gary will contract Trina Johnson to make the arrangements for the changeover of the merchandise. All voted “aye”. Motion carried.

Newsletter Information: Information for the newsletter will include: request for gulf carts, the cookout/work-bee June 24, 2017 and Keryx prayer requests. The Emmaus Facebook page was discussed.

Next Board Meetings & Overnights: Dates & Locations

- ! June 24, 2017 at 11:00 Board Meeting at Woodland Church
- ! June 24, 2017 at 12:30 Community Gathering, Grilling/Pot Luck, with a Work Bee for the trailer to follow, at Woodland Church
- ! July 14, 2017 at 6:00 First Overnight at Woodland Church (Men Cook)
- ! August 11, 2017 at 6:00 Second Overnight at Gwinn United Methodist Church (Women Cook)
- ! 4th Day Meeting October 14, 2017 at 12:00 Noon Board Meeting at Woodland Church

Prayer Concerns & Closing Prayers: There were many prayer requests, concerns and praise. Pastor Ron Fike offered Closing Prayers.

Jane Romback made a motion, support by Jan Stone to adjourn. This meeting adjourned at approximately 1:45 P.M.

Recording Secretary,

Marcia M. Waters