

**MINUTES OF SUPERIORLAND EMMAUS BOARD MEETING  
GWINN UMC, GWINN, MI  
OCTOBER 15, 2022 @ 2:30 P.M.**

**Opening Prayer:** The meeting began with an opening prayer by Vicky Prewitt.

**Call to Order:** Jane Taylor called the meeting of October 15, 2022 to order at 2:31 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Members present include: Vicky Prewitt, Jim Baker, Marlene Deatruck, Mike Deatruck, Jane Taylor, Marcia Waters, Paula Ross, and Sara Wiedenhoefer.

Members absent include: B.J. Ash, Gary Lubinski, Becky Wilder, Pete LeMoine, Mike Moore, Kip Dollar, and Chuck Ryall.

Members by Zoom: No one by Zoom at this meeting.

Members by Phone: No one by phone at this meeting.

Guests present include: None

**Secretary's Minutes of June 10, 2022:** The June 10, 2022 Minutes were approved by email prior to this meeting. No action needed.

**Agenda – Approval/Additions:** There were no changes to the agenda.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Chuck Yeager reports a balance of \$8,435.63 as of October 12, 2022. A Treasurer's Report/Ledger page was shared. A recent deposit of \$1,575.00 and a recent deposit of \$467.00 made by the registrar were not included on the Treasurer's Report.

**Chairman's Report:**

- The Board Rep Report was provided by Laura Moore for Women's Walk #85. Board Rep Moore felt that the Walk went well; there were a few small kinks that were quickly smoothed out with a strong team effort, Team effort was strong, Holy Spirit filled, cooperative, and hard working.

There were a few items of interest that may be of concern:

First, the distribution of the Packets; not everyone received a packet. The Conference Room packets should be in one box, and passed out to everyone after morning devotions. It was also decided that auxiliary team packets should be passed out at Sunday morning devotions.

Second, was the concern of a very upset husband whose wife did not receive his letter. The sponsor should mark who they are receiving the letters from. Sponsors are to only submit twelve (12) letters to the mailroom, any additional letters the Sponsor should give to their candidate after the Walk. It was also discussed that sponsorship training needs to be done periodically so that the pilgrim does not miss out on any of the blessings of the Walk.

Third, the attendance of children and persons who have not gone on a Walk were at the Candlelight Service and at Closing. The Emmaus Walk has many blessings in the seventy-two (72) hours. There are certain things to do and certain things not to do.

One other problem that was addressed, which was not in the Board Rep's Report, was a Conference Room issue. There were two and sometimes three different timelines being used. A team will meet on November 5, 2022 at Hope Connection in Marquette and work out one timeline that will be universal for all to follow.

- The 2022 Men's Walk #84 was postponed due to lack of pilgrims registered. The new date for Men's Walk #84 is September 14 – 17, 2023.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Board Vacancies/Assignments still needed: Board Members whose terms are up include: Jim Baker, Paula Ross, Jane Taylor, and Marcia Waters.

- Scott M. has updated all corrections that he has been given, as well as new community members from this past walk. This updated sheet will be converted and be available on Google Drive soon.
- Upper Room Covenant Agreements: Everyone needs to sign electronically using Ministry Manager provided by the Upper Room.
- Annual Calendar: Leadership 1/14/ 2023; Team Select finalizes CR Team 1/14/2023; Talk Outlines are distributed 1/31/2023; Team Pep 1 5/20/2023; Team Pep 2 6/10/2023       The Leadership Team needs to commit to Wednesday through Sunday for each Walk. Team needs to arrive on Wednesday at camp for last minute details.

Also, Leadership Team needs to set aside a couple of Sundays to preview talks.

Jill Paris is the Lay Director for the next Women's Walk. ALD's are Marlene Deatrick, and Geriann Bialkowski. Team Select will begin looking for a third.

Mike Deatrick is the Lay Director for the next Men's Walk. ALD's will be confirmed from the postponed Men's Walk of 2022.

- Locating the manuals. Having a designated "keeper" of the manuals. Sara Wiedenhofer ordered three (3) sets of manuals. Marline Deatrick took possession of two (2) sets. Jane Taylor has possession of one (1) set.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Confirm annual calendar: The Annual Calendar was discussed under Old Business.
- Discussion on difficulties using Camp Michigamme. The camp was not up to expectations. There was the lack of hot water/heat in bathrooms/showers, and the electrical issues. Vicky Prewitt is on the Camp Michigamme Board and discussed the issues Emmaus encountered when arriving at camp. She had many pictures to show how bad and unacceptable the camp was when they arrived. She has stated that she will continue to be in conversation with the Camp Michigamme Board regarding our concerns.
- Wheelchairs for Candlelight? No, it is unsafe with the hill and the gravel. Golf carts will continue to be used. Golf carts will fall in after the musicians so the pilgrims needing the golf carts get the full benefit of Candlelight. It was also discussed that community members that attend Candlelight should be offered assistance getting up the hill and being seated near Hampton Chapel.
- Discussion on Board Report. This was discussed under Chairman's Report.
- Set the date for upcoming board meeting. January 14, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. at either Marquette Hope Connection Center or Gwinn UMC in Gwinn. Gathering with pot luck to follow at 4:30.

**Prayer Concerns & Closing Prayer:** Jane Taylor closed the meeting after the closing prayer. Sara Wiedenhofer made motion to adjourn, seconded by Marcia Waters. The Meeting adjourned at 4:04.

Recording Secretary,

Marcia M. Waters