

Valley Emmaus Fourth Day Group
Board Meeting Minutes
October 14, 2010 @ FBCH

Present: Heather Adair, Rev. Sheldon Johnson, Jim Coffman, Irene Ralston, Dina Wilson, Laurie Micheletti, Margaret Ellison and Jerry Walzel.

Guest present: Benay Morris

Not Present: Rev. Joe Perez, Sue Merett, Bonnie Cherrington Dave Wisely, Mary Catherine Edwards, Kyle Stephens, Jay Humphries.

Opening Prayer: Rev. Sheldon Johnson opening the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes from September 9, 2010: Heather Adair presented the minutes from the Sept. 9th board meeting. After a short discussion a motion was made by Sheldon Johnson to accept the minutes as read. Ms. Laurie Micheletti 2nd the motion and by a voice vote the motion passed.

2010-11 Board Vacancies. Heather Adair informed the board that Dina Wilson accepted the board position along with Margret Ellison. Jim Coffman made a motion to accept these appointments and welcome the two new board members. Ms. Irene Ralston 2nd the motion and by a voice the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report. Heather Adair informed the board there would not be a treasurer's report. Heather Adair informed the board that the completion of the 501(c)3 paperwork had been accomplished under the umbrella of UMC Kingsville with a bank account for checking with IBC bank. The remaining account at Compass Bank will be closed by November 10, 2010, as approved by the Board. Mrs. Adair informed the board that there has been money received from the Emmaus ladies from Pt. Isabel in the amount of \$110.00, there was a donation of \$197.75 for AV equipment and the sale of books along with \$134.00 from the offering from the last gathering..

Report on Upcoming Walks:

Women's Walk November 11-14, 2010 . Benay Morris reported the total number of pilgrims as of this date was 23 with several others pending. The official registration fee is posted at \$ 170.00 while the fee for noted for this ladies walk is still \$ 145.00. Jim Coffman will handle Sponsors Hour and Jerry Walzel will take care of recruiting transportation to move the equipment that is in storage in San Benito to the women walk site in Bayview on November 10th and 11th.

Men's Walk March 10-13, 2011 (Dave Wisely) Heather Adair noted that the final Team Selection Committee Meeting will take place at 5:00 PM at the Arroyo Baptist Chapel on Saturday evening.

Women's Walk Fall 2011 (Margret Ellison) Board Member and Spiritual Director Selection. This selection must take place prior to the January SWTX Conference Board Meeting held in San Antonio.

Board Meeting location. Heather Adair informed the board that the next board meeting will be held in La Feria, November 18th at the First Baptist Church @ 6:30 PM

Audio/Visual Equipment Proposal. Heather Adair informed the board that the sound equipment needed for the future walks will cost a minimum of \$2,000 for the pair. The projectors will cost an additional \$1,000. However, there is still the need for basic food service supplies and equipment. After much debate and discussion among the board members a motion was made by Margaret Ellison to buy the dining room service equipment first and, after this women's walk expenses have been totaled, the board should then look at the sound/visual equipment. This motion was 2nd by Rev. Sheldon Johnson. By a voice vote the motion passed.

Gathering location updates.

December 11th, 2010, San Benito First United Methodist Church. Pilgrim Orientation will be the same day and location, beginning at 5:00 PM.

Other / Old business. Heather Adair noted that the Upper Room training will be held October 30th @ the United Methodist Church in Harlingen Texas. This training will start at 8:30 AM.

Other business was remarks pertaining to concerns about Board members holding multiple leadership positions in the Community. Each position requires a lot of time and effort and should not be placed on one person to fulfill. After much discussion it was recommended that the SWTX Board Representative position be filled by either Mary Catherine Edwards or Margaret Ellison, both of whom are prayerfully considering the position.

Closing Prayer. Jerry Walzel led the board in a closing prayer.