

Suncoast Walk to Emmaus. Board Minutes, March 21, 2016

Present: Elisa Niles, Frank Sturgell, Bonnie Carey, Oscar Keukel, Paul Smith, Gene- Marie Fisher, Cindy Thayer, Wilma Waltz, George Strawn
Kathy Pecht, Brian Erickson, Donna Greenwood, Dave Greenwood, Rick Pecht, Traci Thompson, and Warren Wasson.

Visitors: John Browner, Jim Foss.

Chairlady Niles called the meeting to order at 6:38 P.M. Brian Erickson presented a devotion from Deut. 1;13 “ Selecting Wise Leadership”, closed with prayer to Holy Spirit.

Elisa called for any “God moments”. Frank reported on his accident last Wednesday---minor injuries, Praise God.

Minutes from last meeting were discussed; Kathy moved approval, Frank seconded, passed.

Treasurers report. Bonnie reported that liability insurance had been purchased. Thanks to Lisa Eddington’s good help, it was purchased for about one half of what had been expected. Money from team for week-end almost all in. Frank moved approval of report. Traci seconded, passed. Cindy agreed to contribute \$70.00 for team member scholarship from raffle at gathering.

Registrar Kathy reported 8 men and 10 women pilgrims signed up to date. Some from Tampa Bay still expected.

Marilyn Sturgell welcomed to board to fill vacancy. She agreed to assist Wilma with agape.

Elisa reported on "Community Survey." The Upper Room survey to be sent to board members.

2017 Week-end walk dates were discussed. Dates at the Catholic Retreat will not necessarily be carried over to Christian Retreat. Those dates to be determined. Deposits usually required 6 months in advance.

New Business. Team selection. Men eligible for lay director: Ron Ward.

Bill Graham, John Cosgrove, Rick Adams. Women ; Harriett Bryan, Christine Hoffman, Sharon Jansch, Susan Nations, Diana Scheschowitz, Christina Erickson, Joan Mucci, Pam Hunt.

Paul Smith and Warren Wasson counted votes, Pres. Niles monitored. Pres Niles to contact nominees.

Team meeting for fall walks and training dates discussed. They will be held at St. James UMC, Sarasota. A deposit of \$250.00 is required. Dates are: Kickoff, Aug. 25th, training meetings are Sept.3, 17, and Oct. 1, with team pot luck Oct. 6th. Motion Rick Pecht, second Traci Thompson, passed.

A question was raised about how frequently the newsletter should be sent out.

John Browne observed that the web site has recently been up-dated.

Rich Pecht made a motion that a communications chair be named and have an assistant authorized to make changes if needed. Dave Greenwood seconded, passed.

Chairlady Niles expressed concern about the small participation at gatherings. With our 100th walk coming, we should be making plans for a special celebration, promoting attendance. Elisa Niles made a motion to that effect, Gene-Louise Fisher seconded.

.FundRaising, communications, and Gathering chairs to work together to expedite. Passed.

Dave Greenwood raised a question about written guidelines for each committee. Traci Thompson expressed a need for complete information for pilgrims, sponsors, and team members.

It was decided that the April gathering would be in conjunction with the Candlelight, April 18th.

Spiritual Director served communion. Meeting adjourned at 8:50. P.m.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Warren Wasson, Secretary.