SUNCOAST EMMAUS WALK BOARD MEETING MINUTES JUNE 19, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Elisa Niles, Bob O'Keef, Marilyn Sturgell, Sue Benson-Klinger, Donna Greenwood, David Greenwood, George Strawn, John Bower

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bonnie Cary, Brian Erickson, Warren Wasson, Trina Robinson, Gene-Louise Fisher, Lisa Edington, Tami Scarlett, Phil Southworth

President Niles called the meeting to order at 6:43 P.M. and lit the Christ candle. She said that since we did not have a quorum, we would continue the meeting, but issues requiring votes will be held until the July meeting. George Strawn gave a devotion on Enjoying Our Horizons.

Elisa said in reviewing the revised by-laws regarding missed meetings she found that any board member that missed three consecutive meetings can be under consideration by the Board for resignation, because the Board cannot act without a quorum. She went on to say we need to look for people to put on the ballot for board members for the next three years. We were also reminded that we will have a meeting in July. It was decided that the July meeting will be held at 6:00 P.M.. We will start with a meal that Sue Benson- Klinger will plan and prepare and then we will address envelopes for the sponsor letter Dr. Bob has prepared.

THE FOLLOWING TOPICS WERE DISCUSSED:

Dr. Bob passed around the first draft of the "Sponsor Instructions" and Application that will be mailed to all Suncoast Emmaus Community members. He mentioned that he had created a new logo, "Walk To The Light". He recommended using a large envelope to draw attention to the mailing that will go out the end of July. The letter will be from Bob and Elisa. He asked Elisa to email the board members names and positions. He was told that Trina Robinson can help him with a mailing list. Dr. Bob informed us that his church is paying for all costs of this mailing as a mission project.

Donna Greenwood expressed concern about a conversation she had with a woman from Walk 81. Donna mentioned that she had not seen her at a gathering and asked why she was not showing interest. The woman responded that she found the walk to be very sad and not interesting. Donna feels that sponsors need to screen potential Pilgrims as the walks are not for everyone

As of the date of the meeting there are 8 men and 11 women signed up for the fall walks and said perhaps education for sponsors is lacking. And also we should

make sure the Pilgrims fill out the surveys for feed-back, since the walks are an experience that only happens once. Sue Benson-Klinger thinks there is an issue with the Reunion Groups that should be addressed in that the groups should follow the order of the card and have less meaningless talk.

Sue volunteered to take on the responsibility of sending out Get-Well and Sympathy cards to Community members.

John Bower suggested that the Pledge Letter be refreshed, adding some color and a specific amount we are aiming for, and have a new mailing go out by January 2018.

It was suggested that new Fourth Dayers names be listed in the newsletter and have one or two of them write about their experience(s) for the newsletter.

The Board Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

The meeting was turned over to Spiritual Director, Dr. Bob O'Keef and he had the Board members share their closest moments to God and then led us in Communion. Following Communion, we shared prayer concerns and closed with "Bind Us Together".

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Sturgell, Secretary

Next Board Meeting July 17, 2017 @ 6:00 P. M.

DINNER WILL BE SERVED!!!