

Emmaus Board Meeting Minutes  
September 20, 2014

Members Present: Heather Cornette, Eddie Merriman, Mickey Tuggle, Bob Smith, Gary Johnson, Al Yost, Jason Thomas, Wanda Tramel, Donna Smith, Davis Bliss, Donna Tipton, Craig Green

Meeting called to order and opened in prayer by Eddie Merriman.

**Old Business:**

1. Approval of minutes; motion to approve by Jason Thomas and second by Donna Smith. Approved.
2. Board Representative Report from Walk 95 given by Donna Smith:
  - a. Concern over a few pilgrims requiring the majority of the team's time and efforts. Recommend focus on sponsorship requirements with the community. One pilgrim went home.
  - b. Concern that a few members of the team did not stay on campus overnight. Eddie Merriman to discuss with the Lay director of the walk. Recommend to stress at Lay Director training that all team is to stay on campus for the entire walk.
  - c. Concern that kitchen team were holding back food from the pilgrims so Agape and Kitchen would have food to eat. Team is here to serve; at no time is anything to be held back from pilgrims for team. We are to serve with the spirit of charity.
3. Treasures Report: submitted by email due to Mark being out of town. Copy of report attached to meeting minutes.
  - a. Ending Cash balance: 11,211.98
  - b. Recommendation to send check for "The Gift" program with the Upper Room
  - c. Recommendation made to make "The Gift" a budget line item for the next fiscal year due to the fact that this is part of the covenant letter we sign with Emmaus.

**New Business:**

1. Nominations for the 2015 Board Representatives will open October 1, 2014 and close November 7, 2014. The members ending their terms are Mickey Tuggle, Shirley Lockhart, David Bliss, Jason Thomas, Mark Travis, Gail Roysden and Eddie Merrimen. Eddie asked the Board to be in prayerful consideration for the nomination of the next Community Lay Director. A list of available candidates given to the Board.
2. Emmaus Newsletter: deadline for submission of articles is November 20,2014. Eddie asked all Board members to submit an article highlighting their area of service.
3. Team Selection for Walks 98 and 99 will be October 4, 2014 at 0900 at FUMC Livingston. Lay Directors for these walks will be David Hunley and Martha Sells.
4. Emmaus Dates for 2015:
  - a. Men's Walk 98 March 5-8 David Hunley
  - b. Women's Walk 99 March 19-22 Martha Sells
  - c. Women's Walk 100 July 16-19 Jackie Elliott
  - d. Men's Walk 101 September 3-6 ?
  - e. Women's Walk 102 Sept 17-20 Gail Roysden

5. Overview of the Leadership Training Conference presented:
  - a. Recommendation made to start an adhoc committee to look at Gatherings: tabled for next meeting
  - b. Recommendation to look at Emmaus and Chrysalis board liaisons: tabled for next meeting.
  - c. Copy of bylaws given to each Board member
  - d. Recommendation made to have name tags with “board member” on them to increase the Board’s visibility to the community – tabled for next meeting.
  - e. Recommendation made to look at a sponsorship program – tabled for next meeting.
  - f. Written report of Leadership Training event given to each Board member.
6. Gatherings for 2014: October 18th – Crossville FUMC, November: no gathering. December: Chrysalis Candlelight Service.
7. Eddie Merrimen wished to express his gratitude to the community for their instant response to the request to purchase more cushions for the conference room. We are honored to serve such a charitable community.
8. Letter from a Community Member submitted to the Board:
  - a. Concern was voiced about calling out non-conference room team names at send-off. The Board felt this was a tradition within our community and agreed to continue the practice.
  - b. Concern was voiced over a Baptism being performed on Saturday night. Craig Green as Spiritual Director for the Community and clergy on stated walk was present to address this issue. Board agreed that it is not the practice of the Emmaus Community to perform baptisms, but this particular pilgrim was baptized by their own Pastor. Regional Clergy Director was consulted and felt this was acceptable. Board agreed this should be evaluated by Spiritual Director on a case by case situation with the Spirit’s leading.
  - c. Concern over other clergy issues voiced, each addressed by Craig Green. Eddie Merriman to communicate Board’s decision to Community member directly.
  - d. Concern voiced over non-conference room team being present at cross presentation ceremony. One person from Agape came into the room, was asked to leave and they did so without incident. This to be emphasized at team meetings.

Motion made by Mickey Tuggle and seconded by Jason Thomas to close meeting.

Meeting closed in prayer by Dr. Craig Green.

**TREASURER'S REPORT ATTACHED**

Emmaus of the Cumberland  
Treasurers Summary Report  
YTD

1-Sep-14

	Total
<b>Receipts</b>	
Walk Fees	\$12,934.00
Book Sales	\$165.65
Candlelight Offerings	\$1,005.62
Gathering Offerings	\$491.00
Closing Offerings	
Donations	\$500.00
Interest and Other Income	\$2,522.00
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<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$17,618.27</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	
LUMC Facility Fees	
Upper Room Pilgrim Registrations	
Food	\$5,336.99
Agape	\$750.00
Book Table	\$154.18
Walk Supplies (Cross, Pictures, etc.)	\$2,609.34
Administrative & Other Supplies	\$1,069.08
Newsletter Printing & Postage	
Insurance	\$2,558.85
Other	\$14.00
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<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$12,492.44</b>
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<b>Profit or (Loss)</b>	<b>\$5,125.83</b>
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<b>Cash Recap:</b>	
Beginning Checking Balance January 1st	\$1,086.15
Add Profit or Deduct (Loss) YTD	\$5,125.83
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<b>Ending Checking Balance</b>	<b>\$6,211.98</b>
CD \$5,000 Matures 9.28. 2013 @ 0.8%	\$5,000.00
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<b>Total Cash Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$11,211.98</b>
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Mark Travis, Treasurer