

Lansing Emmaus Board Meeting

October 10, 2023

People present: Pastor Mark Johnson, Doris Shaw, Pastor Ted Orwig, Kathy Wilson, Jack Nartker, Jim Platt, Bruce Davenport, Eric Iverson, Cindy Iverson, Denise Epps, Pastor Nancy Fancher, Karen Mater

Call to Order: 7:04 PM

Prayer by Pastor Nancy Fancher, devotion by Pastor Ted Orwig.

Old Business:

Motion to approve September minutes with change to correct Cindi and Eric's last name spelling to Iversen. Pastor Ted seconded; motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Jack couldn't make copies, but the only changes were a charge of \$20.00 to the State of Michigan for 'licensing' and a charge of \$76.00 to CCIT (?).

Facilities Report: Two Saturdays ago, there was a training walk through the church with the Conference room team, Prayer Room team, Housekeeping and Kitchen. Doug Elzerman will lead set-up and tear-down and has offered his dumpster to get rid of the foam mattresses.

Discussion to decide if we should keep 18 of the mattresses (there are currently 62. It does not appear that mice got into the mattresses, and they are OK. Eric motioned to keep 18 mattresses; Karen seconded it. Motion passed with a voice vote.

The seal around the door of the trailer has been replaced to hopefully prevent mice from getting in the trailer.

Ministry Manager: The database has different roles per church, and it may be difficult to change names. Will need to know the new church and, city and state. The Upper Room may have to make changes. Permissions in the database make it hard to find people.

Upcoming Women's Walk

Walk Servant Coordinator: The board chooses a person for the role, usually a board member. This person will take money for BTS that plan on eating meals, and checking BTS people in and out so it is always known who is present in the church. Jim made a motion to make Denise Epps the Walk Servant Coordinator for the Women's Walk. She will also try to get everyone that works at the walk's email address, as it is the User ID for Ministry Manager, and if a person's email has changed, their account will not be found.

Kitchen Report: Karen is in charge of Special meals for the Woman's walk. There are a couple women in the Conference room with Celiac disease. Lots of help in the kitchen. Thursday night there will be spaghetti for everyone who is helping with set-up. The kitchen is in charge of cookies and snacks for Thursday night. Julie Andersen is head of Dining Room, and Michelle Helmick is in charge of snacks with one part-time helper.

Miscellaneous Walk Information: Bruce reported that at one time there was a projector, movie screen and an Agape tote. They are currently missing. Rosemary needs the speaker chart; Denise said it can be obtained on Ministry Manager.

Pastor Ted can't make it to the Walk, so Pastor Nancy and Bruce will take care of communion,

New Business:

Men's Walk: Pastor Nancy Fancher has offered the Mt Hope for the Men's walk the second weekend of March, March 7th thru 10th. Eric made a motion to conduct the men's walk at Mt. Hope on the weekend of March 7-10th, 2024. Motion Passed. The Mt. Hope UMC will be voting on a new name in a week as they are disaffiliating.

Board Members: In January the Board Chair is decided. Nominations for new board members are now being accepted. Doris, Pastor Ted, Eric, and Cindi plan on leaving the board at the end of 2023. Kathy made a motion to extend the meeting by 15 minutes; passed.

Gatherings: We are having gatherings in Clare and Lansing. There will be no Gatherings on the Friday of the Walk, but we should encourage everyone to attend the candlelight. Typically, in the past, gatherings have been done just before candlelight. At the gathering prior to the walk, remind everyone of candlelight and the prayer vigil sign-up.

Future Walks: The plan is to have 1 Men's walk in the spring and 1 Women's walk in the fall until there is too great a demand. Then, we will consider adding additional Walk's.

Close: Pastor Mark Johnson closed meeting with a prayer. The meeting ended at 8:45 pm.