

Emmaus Board Minutes

August 12, 2025

Amy Gentner, Denise Epps, Chris Benjamin, Cindi Scheiern, Nancy Fancher, Michelle Lautner, Robert Archambault, Andria Lyster, Janet & Lyle Ball

Call to order 7pm.

Nancy gave a prayer and devotional.

Consent agenda was reviewed, motion to approve by Archie, seconded by Michelle. Motion carried unanimously.

Cindi gave the Treasurer's report. Beginning balance of \$3,143.49, paid Discount Tire and Upper room, leaving a current balance of \$1829.75. Insurance renewal is due Sept 3 in the amount of \$959.00 Still looking for an auditor to review the books, she has a potential local person who may be willing. Motion to approve by Archie, seconded by Janet. Unanimous.

New Business:

Jim Marsh has resigned off the board. Chris Benjamin has accepted an appointment to the board for the trailer position. Aug 23 1pm will be a work day on the trailer at 7287 Wilson Rd Eaton Rapids.

Chris will create teams for the Women's Walk this fall to unload the trailer on Thursday and reload on Sunday.

BTS Spreadsheet was shown to the group. Leads need to be filled in ASAP so the leads are designated before the BTS training. Once leads are entered, then we can continue to fill in the teams for each area. Board members who have access should also enter this info into Ministry Manager so the service can be tracked for future walks.

Amy suggested a tear down team be available at the Church Sunday at 6am for the Women's Walk to get Church ready for services that morning. It was also discussed to load totes to the trailer as soon as they are ready during the weekend as long as the trailer is marked where they are to be stored.

Some manual updates are still in process. Kitchen and Dining Room manuals are still at Amy's.

Housekeeping supplies were discussed, maybe move to more natural cleaners to alleviate allergies to the cleaning products and strong smells.

Denise is working on getting a Master Trailer List around.

We may hand out BTS manuals at the September meeting.

Gatherings, we have had no income from gathering donations this year so far. We need to get a newsletter out soon, it was discussed to bump Logan on that. Board members need to get updates to him asap.

Options to encourage food or supply donations at gatherings rather than cash? Maybe build an Amazon wish list and post to membership? Please encourage local members to attend September gatherings, this is our last push for pilgrims and BTS help before the October Women's walk.

Reunion is scheduled for November 8 at Pilgrim in St Johns, 3:00 for Team and Pilgrims, 5:00 for potluck.

Update on Women's walk Spiritual team:

Becky Morrison – Spiritual Director, she will be back in MI around Sept 10.

Mary Barrett, Ted Orwig, Patti Lankton & Marty Cobb are ASDs.

Amy requested Wendy and Denise to review the Master Schedule.

Next meeting is September 9, 7pm in St Johns at Pilgrim Global.

Lyle prayed the group out and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Wixson

*On behalf of Karen Mater