

## Board Meeting Minutes, Nov. 17, 2007

Meeting was called to order by Vice Community Lay Director, Bob Crawford, who led with prayer. Members present included Bob & Kathi Crawford, John & Jane Hurley, Iva Laudermith, Delmar & Betty Janke, Craig Walters, and visitors Carey McBride & Scott Jensen. No quorum established.

Scott shared some thoughts as the Storm Mountain Director and a member of the Dakotas Emmaus community. It was agreed that there will be no charge for Storm Mountain employees at the Storm Mt. walks unless they are Pilgrims.

It was suggested that the dates at Storm Mountain be changed due to conflicts which have hindered some men from attending the walks including both Pilgrims and Agape. Proposed changes would be: September 3rd and 4th weekends starting in 2009.

There is a need for the Agape Chair to coordinate and establish a group identified for each walk to replace things at the close of the walks so that the facility is left as it was prior to the walk. The camp staff has had to spend extra hours doing this in the past. Scott has allowed people to stay overnight (for a donation) on Sunday night which makes it easier to attend to clean up after the Walk.

We are encouraged to ask and invite employees at camps to be involved with the walks and never assume they will serve.

There will be a \$10.00 charge per meal or each overnight use of bed for individuals who do not register for the complete weekend. This is subject to change as needed.

To enable Storm Mountain to close out their books before the end of the year it is important that all expenses from the walk be paid to them ASAP.

Boyd has been working on updating the Data Base. We need to have clergy identify themselves so they can be listed correctly in the data base information. We also need to move the deceased from the current active list to a separate listing.

It is suggested that the Agape Chairperson may be a co-lead position which would be especially helpful if one of the two is fairly new in the Dakotas agape and community work.

Team Selection Committee submitted names for approval for the fall walks. ALD names submitted for women's walk were: Reatha Settle, Dulcey Maxson, and Deb Mills.

Bob Duemig's name was submitted for Men's Walk Sp. Director. The names were approved by those in attendance (5 votes) at this meeting and Bob will contact other board members for their votes so that LD's may move forward with their team plans.

It was determined that we will need to have a board meeting Dec. 15th (at Mitchell at 10AM in the Family Christian Center on East 15th Street) so that we can complete business including approval of nominations, etc. There will be no Gathering on Dec. 15th.

Craig needs input for the newsletters. He indicated the website is getting lots of visitors.

Boyd has located oil votives and the Huron Cluster group has volunteered to purchase 2 sets of these for both east and west areas to use in the Speaker's Pray-In chapel at the Walks.

We recommend that judging be eliminated, that there be no competition between tables at the walks, and that the TOC do no presentations.

Board meeting adjourned with prayer led by Pastor Iva. It was followed by Team Wrap-up for women's walk #30. See printed reports from LD Carey McBride and Board Rep. Betty Janke.

It is recommended that there be something scripted for the Community Spiritual Director or a substitute clergy to use at closing service for the completion of the walks.

Meetings adjourned for sponsorship training led by Bob Crawford which was followed by an enjoyable meal, fellowship, and Gathering.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Betty Janke, Secretary