

**Heart of the Ozarks
Emmaus Board Meeting
Rogers United Methodist Church
November 5, 2016
*Minutes***

Meeting was called to order at 12:30 (immediately following the Gathering) by Chair Amy Jo Williams

Members Present:

Amy Jo Williams

Kelly Collier

Stefan Lyons

Kathryn O'Brien

Art Alderson

Dan Williams

Prayer – Dan Williams

Approval of Minutes from Board meeting held September 24, 2016 submitted by Kathryn O'Brien, Secretary.

- Motion to approve by Dan Williams; second by Stefan Lyons
Motion carried

Financial Report and Budget

- Motion to accept report by Dan Williams; second by Art Alderson
Motion carried
- Ginny Cheek Fund has not yet been moved as approved by the Board at meeting held 09/24/16
- Art Alderson encouraged the Board to consider: appeal to HOTO Community for annual donation; 12 months set aside to meet annual financial obligations; have a separate column within the existing financial report for the Ginny Cheek Fund; and, participation in "The Gift". (Upper Room uses donations from local Emmaus communities to fund/start up new Emmaus communities.)

Board Rep Reports

- Art Alderson presented the Face-to-Face report.
- Report by Dennis Sanders tabled until next meeting.
- Report by Ken McNamara tabled until next meeting.

Communications

- There was an extensive discussion of Face-to-Face expansion which included host church, location alternating north/south within the HOTO community, etc. Dan Williams agreed to talk with Wes Hilliard at Heritage for an Encounter in the River Valley.
- Website update provided by Kathryn O'Brien.

Nominations for Open Board Positions (2017-2019 term)

- By consensus, the Board agreed to solicit nominees from the Community with a vote planned for December 15th.
- Terms for these Board members will be staggered (some 1 year, some 2 years and some 3 years) to offset the “cliff” at the end of 2018 when 6 of the current Board members will complete their terms.
- Bobby Bell has agreed to serve as Community Spiritual Director for 2017. Steve Poarch agreed to fill this position in 2018.
- Art Alderson made motion to accept the resignation of Kelly Collier as Board Vice-Chair with second provided by Kathryn O’Brien.
- Art Alderson made motion to accept the nomination of Kelly Collier as Board Treasurer, with second provided by Kathryn O’Brien. Motion carried.
- Community members, Barb Alderson and Jeanne Carroll agreed to serve on the Registrar/Data Base committee to ensure data entry for new and existing pilgrims as well as maintaining the data base.

Team Selection for 2017 Spring Walks (#91 and #92)

- With the resignation of the Board member assigned to team selection, the Board Chair (ex-officio committee member) will serve as the coordinator for the Spring Walks. Updates will be sent to Board members electronically for approval, as appropriate.

Upcoming Events and Associated Training

- Board training planned for January is in the process of being arranged with the Upper Room.
- Training dates for the Spring Walks are scheduled for
 - January 7
 - February 4
 - March 4
 - April 1 (inclement weather/make-up date)

Set Board Meeting Dates

- Tabled until after Board elections.

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 1:20 p.m.