

Heartland of Texas Emmaus Community Executive Board Meeting - April 7, 2025

Attendees:

Board Members: JoAnn Dilworth, Cody Logan, Richard Wendrock, Sharon Mach, Kevin Wester, Grady Roe, and Laura Orr

Others: Tom Bornschein, Troy Ellett, Kim Russell, Linda Enderlin, David Hinajosa, and David Londa

1. In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, JoAnn Dilworth called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Pastor Cody Logan led in an opening prayer.
3. The Minutes of the March 3, 2025 meeting were approved as sent out.
4. Laura presented the Financial Report.
 - a. Bank account reconciled to February 28, 2025.
 - b. M2025 total expenses came to \$10,573.41. Income is still being updated. Scholarships of \$350 were transferred and the account adjusted back to \$3,000 from the General Fund.
 - c. Treasurer asked that Board consider adjusting payments from the General Fund that are part of a particular Walk, i.e., the participant fees to Upper Room and building use for meetings and Candlelight. This would keep the Walk from looking profitable for HOTEK.
 - d. Richard Wendrock asked the Board to consider a campaign for large donations to the Scholarship account so free or reduced registration could be offered.
5. Men's Walk 2025
 - a. Tom Bornschein reported that M2025 went very well. Report is attached.
 - b. David Hinajosa, Board Rep on the Walk, agreed that the Walk went very well.
 - i. Three talks went over the time limit
 - ii. ALDs and TLS need to fully understand their duties – Pilgrims should be making reports.
 - iii. Suggestion was made to present Talk #14 before lunch on Sunday, but understand this could be a conflict with the kitchen.
 - c. JoAnn, Walk Coordinator, expressed a sincere apology for a mistake made with the agape gifts. The procedure manual will be updated to show that all gifts are to be distributed without judgment.

- d. Grady Roe expressed his concerns about pilgrims who attend after experiencing a recent loss. In this case, the Pilgrim did not miss any talks and made the decision to continue on the walk even after the leadership tried to persuade him to come on a later walk.
 - e. Grady was also concerned about children attending Candlelight because it may affect their experience later on a Chrysalis or Emmaus Walk. It was suggested that sponsor training include mention about this and Grady proposed sending out a letter before the next walk.
6. Linda Enderlin expressed her gratitude for being selected a Lay Director for W2025, September 25-28.
- a. The music team will be the ladies from Uvalde. Kelly Lowery will be Board Rep. Bob Munsey will lead the Kitchen team. JoAnn Dilworth will be the Walk Coordinator.
 - b. Team meetings have been set for July 12 in Marble Falls, August 16 in Llano, and September 13 for the joint meeting in Marble Falls. She asked the selection committee to review the meeting dates with the team applicants so they can attend all of them.
 - c. Theme and scripture – maybe Psalm 93:4.
7. JoAnn reported that the 2026 Walk dates have been confirmed with Eagle's Wings:
- a. M2026 – March 19-22
 - b. W2026 – September 24-24
8. David Londa was confirmed as the Website Coordinator.
- a. He thanked Richard for the work that had been done on the HOTEK website over the years.
 - b. Richard shared a copy of the 2024 invoice for the parts that go into having a website. He said it is very likely that the renewal would be more than \$587.07.
9. JoAnn reported for Ti that the Upper Room had been unresponsive to her calls about the Covenant Agreement. JoAnn will call her contact and get the action started so all parties can sign before the end of the month.
10. Ti is completing the information required to update the Covenant with Upper Room. Board members are asked to respond and sign the Covenant before the April deadline.
11. Grady closed the meeting with prayer at 8:20 pm.

Laura Orr, Secretary