

**Heart of Florida Via de Cristo
Secretariat Minutes
February 17, 2001**

Present: Linda Becker, Steve & Denise Beumer, Marty Collins, Rae Harris, Rick Hoepner, Jerry & Carlene Lemcke, Shirley Lokken & Pat Linden, Sandy Moore, Bill Pohlada, Dale & Anna Richardson

Excused: Pastor David Ludwig, Pastor Bob Bear, Sheila Bender, Jerry Johnson

Absent: Diane DeMark,

Shirley Lokken opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the January 20, 2001 meeting were approved as corrected. Page 1, Treasurers report, "balance of \$2658.12 in the bank."

Pastors' Report: No Report

Lay Director's Report: Bill Pohlada announced the spiritual directors for the upcoming weekends. Pastor Rebecca Heber and Pastor Dave Ludwig will be SD's for the women, Pastor Bob Bear and Pastor Mike Stone, for the men.

Treasurer's Report: No Report

Chair Reports:

Pre Via de Cristo. Rae Harris has only 6 confirmed men and 6 confirmed women to date. Discussion was held regarding a married woman pilgrim. After hearing her circumstances, Jerry Lemcke moved and Sandy Moore seconded that **due to her circumstances, this woman be allowed to attend the weekend.** The motion carried.

Concern about the small number of applications was discussed at length. Should we require a deposit with an application? Should we wait for the minimum amount of application to be confirmed before calling a team? Are we communicating to the community the need to turn in applications early? We have gone ahead with past weekends with faith. Should we plan for one weekend per year? Although our community is large, many are not connected and because we are so large, many believe it is not their responsibility to sponsor pilgrims. Bill Pohlada suggested we might look at how we go about calling teams in the future.

Carlene Lemcke moved and Dale Richardson seconded that **four weeks before the men's weekend, March 2nd, we will decide to hold the weekends if there are 12 confirmed pilgrims for each weekend.** Rae Harris stated she would like the minimum lowered to 10 pilgrims per weekend. Carlene Lemcke amended her motion to: **four weeks before the men's weekend, March 2nd, we will decide to hold the weekends if there are 10 confirmed pilgrims for each**

weekend. Dale Richardson agreed. The motion carried. Communication will take place March 2nd through phone and email

Post Via de Cristo. Steve Beumer informed us the August Ultreya at Delaney Street Baptist Church has been confirmed. The summer social has also been confirmed for July 21, 2:00 p.m. to dusk, at Sybelia Point Park. The August Ultreya will be at Delaney Street Baptist Church.

Music. No Report.

Extended Palanca. No Report.

Leaders. Pat Linden suggested the possibility of community email every two weeks. A short informative message to educate, inform and to keep the community connected. This could include articles from the NLS, etc. She suggested formation of a committee that could meet quarterly.

Local Palanca. Carlene Lemcke will have sign up lists at tonight's Ultreya for the 24 hour prayer chain and baking needs.

On-Site Physical Arrangements. Rick Hoepner reported that he is getting ready for the weekends. He has obtained funds to purchase initial supplies.

Off-Site Physical Arrangements. Dale will seek van drivers at tonight's Ultreya.

Outreach. No Report.

Communications. Linda Becker suggested including a wish list in a future newsletter. We have done this before and will again. She also suggested including a classified advertisement section where proceeds for the sale of items would be donated to Via de Cristo. Bill Pohlad suggested we think about this and visit it at a later date.

Unfinished Business

1. Cookbook Report. (Out of Order) A report from the Cookbook Committee was passed out. To date there are pre-orders for 109 copies. The Committee would like to collect for ordered cookbooks as soon as possible. The order has been sent to the publisher.
2. NLS Annual Meeting Banner. The NLS meeting is July 26-29. We need to make a new banner to represent HOF or identify one that we have to be used. Jerry Lemcke will look at this a make a recommendation. At this time, there are possibly seven people planning to attend the meeting.
3. Purchase of larger platen. (Out of Order) Rae Harris has investigated different designs and has discussed this with Bob Bear. After discussion, it is not clear there is a need for a larger platen at this time. This has been deferred to the next meeting.

New Business

1. Easter Breakfast. Ed O'Brien is chairman of Easter Breakfast committee.
2. Secretariat Assistants. Bill suggested each secretariat member seek someone to serve as an assistant to help with duties. This could serve as training for replacements when terms expire.
3. Weekends #26. As of yet, Rick Hoepner has had no one come forward as a "trainee" for the On-Site Physical Arrangements position.

The meeting was closed around the altar with prayer and voting for future Rector/a.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sandy Moore, Secretary

2001 Weekends

Weekend #26 - Men's: Oct. 11-14

Women's: Oct 18-21

Next Secretariat Meeting: April 28th, at 4:30 p.m. at St. John.

Utreya at 7:00 p.m.