

Heart of Florida Via de Cristo
Secretariat Retreat Minutes
April 26-27, 2002

Present: Steve & Denise Beumer, Sheila Bender, Marty Collins, Artie Grindle, Rae Harris, Jerry Lemcke, Shirley Lokken & Pat Linden, Sandy Moore, Dale Nelson, Jane Pohlada, Dale (& Anna) Richardson, Pam Hoepner, and Pastor Bob Bear

Excused: Pastor David Ludwig

The Secretariat voted to address two decision items during the retreat: The timing of team call and the required number of pilgrims for a weekend.

The following motion was tabled at the March 16, 2002 Secretariat meeting: **Teams for Weekends #28 not be called until there are 9 applicants for each.** Sheila Bender moved and Pastor Bob Bear seconded that the motion be brought to the table. The motion passed. Bob Bear reminded us that we are only discussing Weekend #28. This would need to be revisited after Weekends #28.

Steve Beumer moved and Artie Grindle seconded to amend the motion to state **Teams for Weekends #28 not be called until there are 6 applicants for each.** After discussion, including a discussion on the weekend dynamics, Pastor Bob Bear moved and Jane Pohlada seconded to call Steve's question. The motion failed.

Pam Hoepner then moved that the motion be changed to strike the words for each, reading that **Teams for Weekends #28 not be called until there are 9 applicants.** Discussion: Concern was expressed that if there were 9 applicants for women, but not for the men's weekend, that it would then allow wives to attend before husbands. Men should go first. Pat Linden stated that the choice could be offered to women to delay their attendance until their husband could attend. Pat explained the historic tradition of men attending first. Jane Pohlada noted we would be changing the Heart of Florida precedent. Biblically, men begin their walk first. Dale Richardson asked us to question our primary goal: a closer walk with Christ. The amendment passed as amended.

Jerry Lemcke will calendar in advance for decisions regarding Weekends #28.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sandy Moore, Secretary

Ultreya: May 18, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:00 p.m. pot luck, 7:00 Ultreya