

June 7, 2015

Attendees: Alice Allison, Brenda Accola, Steve Barnett, Ed Broestl, Pastor Doug Givin, Pam Gross, Diane Purcell, Carol Reedstrom, Paul Schmidlin, and Tedd Smith

Meeting Called to order at: 700 pm EST

Meeting Minutes approval was deferred for May minutes to the July meeting. Both May and June minutes will be approved in July.

Pam & Steve: The preparation for the National Gathering is moving along. Pam and the volunteers will be walking the campus this week and preparing to work on final details. There are 105 registrations in to date; they are still waiting on a few known Secretariats which will be coming. Diane inquired about a welcome and registration letter. Pam says goal is to have it completed and going out by tomorrow (June 8, 2015). Request was made to Pam to make sure Saturday night worship includes the installation of officers and appointed positions. The team plans to include an envelope in the packet for the offering. A determination will be made during the July meeting what the offering is to be designated to. The Treasurer's, Brenda, address will be on the envelope. In the daily newsletter there will be a reminder that the offering will be on Saturday during morning worship. Pam inquired about what will be videoed. The keynote and the forums will be videoed. There will be a release which will be signed by the speakers; Steve will work on the document. Steve will go through registration to determine who has not registered and will send out names of those who have not registered to Board members be calling on to encourage to come to the Gathering. Steve inquired about the University contract; Pam said she will be meeting with Jolene at Auggie about the contract and said that the insurance agent will also be in contact with Auggie. Diane indicated the need to find out name of company which will be insuring the meeting. This is good information to have for the local Secretariats also. Steve requested everyone on the call to find out who insures (liability insurance) their local Secretariat to add to the list to give at Gathering to attendees. The information is to be emailed to Paul.

Paul shared that Lourdes University can hold the Gathering 7/21-24/ 2016 which is Thursday through Sunday. Discussion was that the facilities are better for accommodations and accessibility on campus; however the date could cause a difficulty. Alternative is University of Toledo on the correct weekend. (Note: The National Gathering Hosting Guidelines mention the beginning date for the Gathering is the 4th Thursday in July) However, more travel would be involved for on campus transportation, facilities not as good nor are communications. Thoughts and discussion: discussion that if other items are equal that Lourdes is a good idea; it would still be the 4th weekend it would just not be the last full weekend. Also because of some school start dates it could be a plus to do it a week earlier. Past process has been the last weekend in July with a Sunday. If we say that it is the 4th weekend in July there would have to be a conversation with Eastern N Carolina as they are already working on site selection. They could be told they could do either the 4th or 5th weekend depending on what plans they have already made. Conversation on how saying the 4th or 5th weekend of July could help those planning the weekends going forward and enable them to have leeway. If this is well advertised this could work well and if there are 5 Sundays it could be optional if a Secretariat is having a problem finding a site it could be optional. The

consensus is that for 2016 July 21 – 24 at Lourdes University in Sylvania, Ohio and in 2017 North Carolina have the option of either the 4th or 5th weekend of July whichever is better for them as they determine the location. Diane reminded us that Minnesota plans to do 2018, but Steve says that nothing written has been received and Diane will forward to Steve tonight.

Ed has not had conversation with other movements about electronic documentation so this will be moved to future meeting.

Diane questioned, under policies “National Gathering Funding” why have we been having issues? Ed reminded that this is a recommendation it is not yet policy. Also about “seeding” a hosting group Steve noted this is an “as needed” and then excess comes back to National. Tedd feels that any extra monies raised going to the next Secretariat would be a blessing to those who are doing the next National Gathering. It was noted that since the Arizona Gathering, any extra amount has been sent to National. Funds for the next National Gathering are sent to the next Host but that has been done by the Board. Discussion followed regarding how the policy can be worded and how it should read moving forward. Other questions Diane has are things which can be completed in a conversation with Ed. Ed would like to have these policies ready for the National Gathering and if there are items which need to be addressed, please send them to Ed right away. Ed will perhaps schedule a special meeting on June 28 to finalize these.

Tedd: Nothing added

Pastor Doug: Has made contact with all Secretariat and their SDs. He will work on meeting with SDs once they are at the Gathering. There are plans to have SDs together two times during the Gathering.

Brenda: Has not received funding from six Secretariats who have already said they would be sending their dues. She will be contacting them again. She will begin working up a draft budget for next year. Diane would like to visit with Brenda in the next week about reports.

Carol: Inquired about the agenda / timing of the Gathering for her scheduling. Ed to send her info by the end of the week. Also inquired about reporting and Diane suggested she make a list of the items which should be reported on each day to write reports. Also the host team will have volunteers to do the reporting and the photography. Suggestions were given to Carol on how to handling scheduling timing of items due for each day.

Paul: nothing additional

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 7:40