

NLS Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, October 8, 2018

Present: Warren (Butch) Seeley, Wendy Showalter, Jeanne Gaston, Ellick Morey, Debbie Klatt

Absent: James Ryan, Pastor Robert (Bob) Allmann

Wendy called the meeting to order at 8:05

Ellick opened with prayer

Minutes for the September 10, 2018, NLS Executive Board meeting were passed with no exceptions with a motion made by Butch and seconded by Debbie.

Old Business

Wendy announced that the NLS Tax Documents taxes have been filed. Butch will send Tim Dickie a thank you note.

Minnesota Charities fillings have not been done in the past several years and Tim and Jim are on it.

All tax documents will be saved so new board members have access to past information.

Ellick has not received a lot of feedback from the RCs on Calendar of Events for RCs so far. A couple had not received it so Ellick resent it. He expects to have the final by mid-year.

Butch contacted the Officers' Insurance agent and left a message letting the agent know if there is anything else needed to contact him.

Butch will reach out to Pastor Bob concerning the Clergy Experience Weekend plan.

Per Wendy, the archived materials have been sent to the new archivists.

Reports:

Butch did reach out to the 2018 Host Committee for the final reports and roster. Rita needs to add information and will resend to Rick. Magdala said they should have financial report done by the Mid-Year Meeting.

Nancy Peterson contacted Butch requesting payment of an old Verizon phone bill.

Butch has not heard any more about a hospital bill. He called and told them he felt it was a scam.

Ellick met with RCs last night. Good meeting and a lot of stuff going on. He received two emails from the Latvian community. They seem to be a thriving VdC community. He also heard back from Bolivian VdC. They have not done anything due to a split in their congregation. Ellick has not heard anything else from Colorado after Butch's letter was sent. Wendy would like Ellick to connect with Atlanta and Tennessee. We have heard they are struggling. If we are not hearing from the RCs then the Executive Board needs to reach out to the secretariats.

Debbie is working on revisions to the Annual Gathering Host Guidelines. Rick is frustrated when board members do not respond to emails. Debbie, Rick, and Webmaster for Host Committee will be meeting. Not complete yet. Meeting with team leaders and chairs on 10/23. Working on manual. Will need extension past 11/1. Wendy requested first drafts be sent prior to November 13 so that we can read each other's before Mid-Year. Cheryl will be providing dinner for Mid-Year participants at her home after campus tour.

Jeanne – No report

New Business

Butch is working on prototypes to present at Mid-Year on rekindling the fire and 4th day. He suggests reducing annual dues for new secretariats, maybe a progression starting at possibly \$50 and progressing from there. This would help new secretariats. Butch is also considering creating a Via de Cristo Awareness Month to increase our visibility.

Ellick requested prayers for the potential Spanish speaking secretariat in Florida. The fledgling governing body is having some issues pulling things together. Wendy asked Ellick to send an email blast and/or add a Facebook message. Butch suggested that Ellick send the email to the entire board.

Closing Prayer was led by Jeanne Gaston

Wendy adjourned the meeting at 8:37pm.