Central Ohio Emmaus Board Report Thursday May 19, 2016

Present: Tom McCarthy, Dan Daum, Allen Lamb, Tara Gilbert, John Connolly, Matt Stockton, Cindy Butts, Siiri McCollister, Ruth Ruskan, Pastor Kathy Reiff, Peg Markin, Beth Marshall

Pastor Kathy opened us up with devotion and prayer

The April board minutes were approved by Mary, with a couple corrections. Minutes corrected by Tara, and sent out to Mary for website. Tara also stated that at the Emmaus training event this past weekend, our community page needed updated on the Upper Room website. She went in and put our two remaining dates for 2016, and will input the 2017 dates once on the church calendar.

Siiri gave the Treasury report for April. We began the month with \$8,138.30. We had an income of \$1,664.80 and expenses of \$1,529.31, leaving us with an ending balance of \$9,803.10. John brought up the possibility of us giving to the program called The Gift. The Gift was discussed at the emmaus training, and is a program offering help to start Emmaus communities in other countries. A motion was made and approved by Pastor Kathy and Siiri to have our August Men's candlelight offering go to this program. Matt then approved the Treasurer report.

Kelli Fink was unable to attend the meeting, but stated there are currently 4 men confirmed for the August Men's Walk.

As a Board we discussed dates for 2017-2018 Emmaus weekends.

(Board: The 2017 dates will be advertised on the website, the 2018 dates will not be published yet, and will be removed from the Board report, for the website)

2017 Dates: Women's Walk #123 March 23-26th, 2017 Men's Walk #71 August 10-13th, 2017 Women's Walk #124 November 16-19th, 2017

Everyone that attended the Emmaus Training Event from the Upper Room, expressed how valuable the training is. We received a lot of information, but each board member expressed tools they felt helpful.

Ruth Ruskan, Sponsorship chair, expressed how she would like to do a training for potential sponsors. She is going to hold a training at the June Gathering, on the 14th. Mary will work with Ruth to get an email blast sent out about the sponsorship training.

Secretary Tara Gilbert