

SC Lutheran Via De Cristo Secretariat Meeting Highlights
Hope Lutheran Church, Vance, SC
September 1, 2007

Present: Denny Thomas, Meri Leidel, Jim Ullery, Wayne Lomax, Karen Hesselbart, Merry Mulcahy, Pastor Wayne Young, Dale Knight, Sherry Fowler
Guest: Vivian Knight

Agenda Item #1: Report on National Lutheran Via de Cristo Conference

Vivian Knight, our delegate to the National Conference, presented a summary of the conference as well as highlighting some suggestions and recommendations that our Secretariat is evaluating for implementation.

Discussion Item #2: Second Reading of By-Law Change:

The following by-law change was read for the required second reading prior to final vote: ***For the purpose of determining whether or not a weekend will be held as scheduled, the deadline for receiving applications from a minimum number of nine (9) pilgrims shall be 30 days prior to the weekend.*** The change was unanimously approved and will be incorporated into the by-laws.

Discussion Item #3: Status of September 2007 Co-ed Weekend:

We have a total of 18 pilgrims—7 men and 11 women. Information about where the pilgrims live/worship will be posted on the website. The prayer banner is filling up but there still are a lot of open slots; we need to get the word out to the community and ask them to sign up. Ideal is to have three names for each time slot. An Ulteya is being organized to follow the upcoming co-ed weekend; a date and location will be announced within the next week or two.

Discussion Item #4: Regional Subcommittee Update:

Several people have expressed an interest in serving on regional subcommittees. Regional meetings will be scheduled to determine how best to proceed.

Discussion Items #5 and 6: 2008 Men's, Women's and Co-ed Weekends:

Sue Frey is the Rectora for the Spring 2008 Women's Weekend. Rectors for the Men's Spring 2008 and Fall Co-ed 2008 weekends were selected. These will be announced at the upcoming Co-ed weekend.

Discussion Item #7: Web Page Update:

Web page has been made more user friendly. Everyone is very positive about the appearance and functionality. Dale Knight requested contributions for posting.

Discussion Item #8: Financial Issues/Report:

Our scholarship fund will be depleted by approximately one-half because of the scholarships needed for the Co-ed Weekend—a total of 3-1/2 scholarships are being awarded to pilgrims and one team member.

Items for Next Meeting Agenda:

- Setting up of subcommittee for purpose of preparing written procedures for weekends.
- Setting up of subcommittees to work on planning and organizing community retreat for Winter 2008.
- Identify candidates for 2008 Secretariat vacant seats (three) as well as potential Spiritual Directors.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 13, 10 a.m. at Hope Lutheran Church in Vance.