

**SC VDC Minutes from 4/21/12 Meeting:** Meeting held at Camp Kinard, Leesville, SC

**Attending:** Jim Ullery, Anne Smyre, Weezy Kimbrell, Gina Shuey, Vivian Knight, Gus Martschink, Pastor Jim Glander.

**Absent:** Bob Benjamin (death in family), Vic Milejczak (synod activity), Sharon Crout, Pastors Christi Pursey & Patti Sue Burton-Pye.

Meeting called to order by Jim Ullery. Gus Martschink offered a devotion based on John 21:15-18 and a song by the Gaithers, "I Am the Lighthouse." This generated good discussion on adjusting our individual courses in life, rekindling the fire in the VDC community, individual and group levels, and on how healing the Ultreya held 4/14/12 at Camp Kinard appeared to be. Melveta Bodie talked about being involved with other projects, such as Kairos, and having to consider moving back into VDC. Gus closed with prayer.

Jim Ullery took prayer requests from the group.

Minutes from the March meeting were approved after Pastor Glander arrived.

Next Ultreya to be at St. James Lutheran, Sumter, on Mother's Day weekend, May 12. Weezy stated she discussed this date choice with Millie Tietjen at St. James, but Millie wanted to have it anyway. Weezy asked for guidance on scheduling and the role of Secretariat. We all agreed we wanted to know and be "in the loop" on planning Ultreyas but did not want to dictate the details. She suggested having a contact person for each Ultreya posted with the notice. We agreed. Jim asked Weezy to write something for a future newsletter addressing Ultreyas.

Old Business: We approved putting minutes on website with provision that "closed session" items, like discussion of Rectors, be left out. Since such items are not generally recorded (should not be according to Robert's Rules), confidential information will not be included.

Anne Smyre will ask that two pilgrims submitted by Rudy Bishop be taken off website as she has not been able to contact Rudy about their status. There is no money involved.

Kathy Thomas had put out an email that one of fifty "community" song books had been lost at the Ultreya. Gina talked about ordering more ---later. We discussed options for songs on the weekend. This will be a continued item.

Web Page: Jim said he had asked Jason Ullery to look at our web page to see what he might suggest. After much discussion, we decided to pass the idea of Jason as a backup/co-web person to Dale Knight. Jason's decision about a new job might play in this decision. Jim clarified that Secretariat as a whole would be the steering group for web page development/changes. To be continued.

Trailer: Vic Milejczak is handling having the trailer inspected. The minimum allowance was increased to \$500 to give him some room for repairs, if appropriate. To be continued.

Next Rector: We discussed the selection of the next lay leaders for weekends, requirements and how this might be handled in the future. Weezy, Vivian and Jim are to get together (in cyberspace) to work out some details. To be continued.

Next meeting will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> at Hope Lutheran, Vance, SC.

Devotion in May: Weezy Kimbrell

Jim Ullery closed with prayer, including the various prayer requests of the group.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00.

Submitted by:

Vivian Knight (filling in for Sharon Crout)