

Minutes of the Secretariat meeting held October 17, 2015

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church

Lexington, SC

In Attendance: Gretchen Neff, Bobbi Burns, Dale Peek, Dee Glander, Pastor Bob Byrne, Tom Ramsey, and Ron Redd

Excused: Pam Creasy, Don Lybrand, and George Hanlon

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. following the Fall Ultreya.

Minutes from the September submitted by Dee Glander were not read nor approved at this meeting.

Financial Report was not available.

Old Business:

A. **Discussion of possible camps** that might be used for weekends in the future:

1. Upper state – White Oak conference Center located in Winnsboro, SC
2. Midlands – Camp Summer & Manget Camp located in Cameron, SC (available for cooking our own meals)
3. Upper state – Oratory Camp located near Rockhill, SC (available for cooking our own meals)

*Discussed whether we should pay to get someone trained to fulfil DEHC regulations so so we can cook our own meals.

*If we used a camp owned and operated by a denomination that is affiliated with the ELCA, then perhaps there would be no excuse not to attend or serve.

B. **National Secretariat** responded to Gretchen's inquiry concerning using non-Lutheran clergy on a weekend as Spiritual Directors. They basically said we could as long as they were not the Head Spiritual Director. They then listed those denominations that are in Pulpit and Altar Fellowship with the Lutheran Church. They include Methodist, Presbyterian USA, Episcopal, United Church of Christ and the Moravian Church.

C. The Secretariat considered the following individuals to be **nominees for positions on the Secretariat** for 2016-2019.

1. Dee Wilkins
2. Don Dukes
3. Anne Moyer
4. Pastor Glenn Boland (One year commitment)

Gretchen moved we affirm these nominees to be members of the Secretariat. Ron seconded.

Pastor Bob Byrne has one more year to serve on Secretariat.

New Business:

A. November 21, 2015 will be the next Secretariat Meeting. All new members will be asked to attend. A covered dish lunch will be provided by the present Secretariat. Positions on the Secretariat will be discussed and assigned to those remaining on the Secretariat and to the new members.

B. January 16, 2016 - Sponsorship and Weekend Team Leadership Workshop- Potluck

C. The National Secretariat meeting will be held in July.

D. Tabled discussion of Stricter Regulations for Rector(a) for a future meeting.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dee Glander