LWML-IOWA EAST DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 30, 2024 - VIRTUAL MEETING

Members present: President Martha Hartwig, Carolyn Zimmerman, Becky Gluesing, Liz Roberts, Angie Banko, <u>Helen Huedepohl</u>, <u>Jeanette Kreutner</u>, <u>Jennifer Determan</u>, Sheryl Zinda, Pastor Ellingworth.

Pres. Martha Hartwig called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Pastor Ellingworth opened with prayer.

Reports:

Organizational Resources: VP Carolyn Zimmerman reported the bylaws need reformatting again but do not need to be sent back to LWML. All changes were approved. We will decide at the May BOD meeting if we want to use version 2 or 3.

Christian Life: VP Liz Roberts reported that her committee is planning "convention interruptions" and they will be scheduled with Martha. They did not get the order of LWML shirts for district convention and would like to offer shirts that can be printed locally and would not have any LWML trademarks. It was discussed that lowa East shirts would be nice to have. Carolyn mentioned "sublimation printing" which is actually done on site at the convention so there would not be extra stock left over. She will look into availability for the convention.

Communication: VP Helen Huedepohl reminded everyone that the correct usage of LWML does not need the word "National" in front of it. LWML alone is the national organization. Our district name is LWML-IED, with the Iowa East District following LWML. If you must distinguish something using the word "national" in front of LWML, do not capitalize the N, use "national LWML". Jeanette Kreutner is making progress with Daniel Sanchez on revamping the website. Helen asked that since the Registrar position is now going to fall under Communication, should it go in the Procedure Manual - it was agreed that would be appropriate and it could go in the bylaws whenever they are updated again in the future.

Gospel Outreach: VP <u>Jeanette Kreutner</u> reported scholarship applications are already being submitted. The question was raised about colloquy students and if and how we could support them with scholarships. Some students may be attending full time and others taking 1-2 classes/semester. IED procedure manual states we will follow IDE guidelines regarding scholarships. The EC was in agreement that we want to support these students looking to enter full time church work. Liz noted that a current colloquy student is paying \$460/class and needs 10 classes to fulfill the requirements. Carolyn and Jeanette will work together to bring forth funding proposals to a future BOD meeting.

Human Care: VP Angie Banko is working with the district convention committee on Gifts from the Heart for the 2024 convention.

Recording Secretary: Sheryl reported that groups are sending her delegate names for the convention. Martha will compose a Google Doc that will be sent to all Zone Presidents for them to fill in delegate names from groups in their zone. This will be used to help certify delegates when compared with registration information.

Financial Secretary: <u>Jennifer Determan</u> stated she mailed in a \$4,000 deposit this week, half of which were Quarterly payments.

Treasurer: Becky Gluesing stated IED has a healthy balance right now of \$12,761. \$3900 was transferred from Joyful Response in early April. All but 1 grant from the previous biennium (which ended 3/31/24) was paid for and that last grant is now funded but will need to be included in the next budget. Becky anticipates there will not be as many convention expenses in 2024 as for previous conventions.

Pastoral Counselor: Pastor Ellingworth was at the lowa District East Pastor's Conference this week and all Pastors received an invitation to the convention and Pastors Lunch in their

packets. He and Pastor Roepke will contact all zone Pastoral Counselors and ask them to personally invite the ministers in their zones.

President Hartwig reported she is continuing to work on planning the convention with Cheryl Killham and the convention committee. The exhibits are lined up and the hope is that the Mites in Action speakers will come from these exhibitors.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. and closed with prayer by Pastor Ellingworth, asking for special care and healing for both Martha and Becky who will undergo surgeries this summer.

Sheryl Zinda Recording Secretary