

Minutes of the Lone Star District Board of Governors for February 28, 2009 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Temple, Texas

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Eugene Brison, Lone Star District President. Those attending were:

Eugene Brison, President
Rudy Hunger, Treasurer (spouse, Dorothy Hunger)
Charles Iselt, 2010 District Convention
Forest Saemrow, Information Services
Gary Laneman, Regional Vice President
Rollins Roth, Ambassador (spouse, Pat Roth)
Harold Reich, Ambassador
Gary Rohloff, Region 10 Governor (spouse, Pam Rohloff)
Duane Dienes, Ambassador (spouse, Mary Lou Dienes)
Dana Wilt, Pastor Immanuel Lutheran Church
Keith Lund, Ambassador
Henry Jahnsen, Regional Vice President
James Arldt, Secretary
Bervin Mirtsching, LHM Ministry Advancement Officer
Joe Regnier, LHM Ministry Advancement Officer
Rev. Jeffrey Geske, Pastoral Advisor

Pastor Geske lead us in a Bible Study.

President Brison introduced the guests and spouses of the members present.

The minutes from the previous meeting were moved, seconded and approved.

Treasurer Rudy Hunger's report was moved, seconded and approved. The second quarter Rebate has come in. Lutheran witness has been paid for 4 months.

President Brison announced that he will be going to St. Louis in April for budget and international convention meeting.

Governor Gary Rohloff reported that a goal had been set to reach 1000 churches by May for Men's Network, was reached by February. There will be a second golf tournament in Beorne in March. LHM has completed reduction of budget at \$1,500,000; reduction of staff in several offices and departments; closed 4 overseas offices; will not replace Walt Winters; applied for \$250,000 grant from Thrivent for Men's Network. There is a discussion at LHM to have a biennial convention with a regional convention on opposite years. The Executive Director position is open and posted.

LHM Ministry Advancement Officer Bervin Mirtsching gave a presentation on LHM services, including the video devotions now available on the Men's Network website.

Vice President Henry Jahnsen reported on the continuing support of Paulo Warth and the Brazil office.

Vice president Gary Laneman reported on his meeting with Harry Jordan, who is still promoting LHM at his church and is over 80. He discussed the involvement of the LLL group Redeemer, Austin with the upcoming Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, LHM Sunday, and the Men's Network bible studies. Benny Mitschke changing radio stations for the Lutheran Hour in Houston.

Information Services Officer Forest Saemrow reported on the articles in Lutheran witness; March will cover the charity award highlights; April will be a two page article on the Men's Network website. On June 25 to 28 He will attend the LCMS Texas District convention in Addison. The cost of display tables is getting expensive, so he is considering condensing down to one table. The New Rose Bowl float theme will be 'a cut above the rest'.

The discussion to rework the Constitution was tabled.

President Brison asked that the Board review the tentative agenda for District convention and respond to him with any notes or suggestions.

Charles Iselt reported on the 2010 joint LLL and LWML District convention. The theme will be 'melody of hope'. He asked if the Board had any preferred dates for the convention. Forest and Charles will meet with the LWML planning committee on March 17, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Arldt