

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Richmond, Kentucky

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**MINUTES OF THE CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING**  
March 18, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Mike York, Moderator, at 1:00 p.m., 40 individuals were in attendance.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes were approved as presented.

**ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS**

**Finance Committee** by Kris Arnold

Kris presented the financial reports for EOY 2011 and YTD January 2012. FBC concluded 2011 with \$1,690,140.26 in income. Compared to the same time period in 2010 that was .22% higher and the same time period in 2009 was .57% higher. After making reductions in the budget in April 2011, we saw that income and expenses were nearly equal at the end of the year. Looking at the debt payment: at the end of 2010 we owed \$3,511,711.16; at the end of 2011 we owed 3,337,016.78. Currently, we owe just over \$3M. The Finance Committee is very pleased with how we are continuing to reduce our debt.

A snapshot of January 2012 information is below:

Budget 2012	\$1,670,479.60
YTD Receipts (as of January 31, 2012)	\$ 138,273.34
YTD Expenses (as of January 31, 2012)	\$ 93,421.55
Budget Surplus	\$ 44,851.79
Payment on Debt	(\$ 12,801.34)
Positive Cash Flow YTD	\$ 32,050.45

Kris has recently been asked why the Offerings Received YTD amount printed in the bulletin the last few weeks is showing such a large surplus. This is due to an ~ \$111,000 anonymous gift that was received in February. This gift was to be applied to the operating budget. This gift will be reflected in the February Financial Report.

The Finance Committee will be re-engaging the 2011 Budget Advisory Council in the near future to look at possible budget adjustments due to this gift.

**Nominating Committee** by Eric Ogden

Eric presented a change to the FBC Committee & Organization Manual. A request was made to combine the Preschool Ministry Council and the Children's Ministry Council into one (1) Council. The combined Council description was attached with the agenda.

Motion was approved as requested.

Eric then presented the FBC Officer & Committee Roster and updated committee vacancies. The roster was attached with the agenda and changes were bolded.

Motion was approved as requested.

**Personnel Committee** by Jody McBride

While the Personnel Committee had requested to be on the agenda, they ultimately had nothing to report at this meeting.

**Missions Committee** by Erv Yoder

Erv referred everyone to the Missions written report.

**Minister of Music Search Committee** by Jim Austin

Jim referred everyone to the Missions written report.

Rodney Wilson, Chair of Music Council was recognized. He affirmed the work of the Minister of Music Search Committee. He reminded everyone that they are working on the three (3) open music positions in the following priority: 1) Pianist, 2) Interim Minister of Music, 3) Music & Worship Assistant. They hope to have an interim selected and in place by Easter.

**Cornerstone Counseling Report** by Jeff Prosser & Mitch Holbrook

Jeff introduced Mitch and gave him time to share re: the Cornerstone ministry. Mitch shared that this past February was the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cornerstone being at FBC. Mitch is here on Mondays.

Written reports from the following were distributed with the agenda:

- Missions
- Minister of Music Search Committee
- Discipleship
- Disaster Relief
- Sunday School Attendance Report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Request for Church Letter:**

Renita Jones from Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond , KY  
Hannah Sharp from First Baptist Church, Winchester, KY  
Jimmy Brewer from Clarksville Baptist Church, Richmond, KY  
Bob, Joyce & Autumn Reynolds from Linden Street Baptist Church, Richmond, KY  
Kay & David Jones: called to inform us that they want to be removed from our rolls.  
Allen & Joyce Harrod from Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Versailles, KY  
Mark Starnes from First Baptist Church, Owensboro, KY

*All letters granted.*

### **Other Correspondence**

None

Meeting Adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marsha Elliott