

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Richmond, Kentucky

MINUTES OF THE CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING
June 28, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Greg Powell, Moderator, at 1:10 p.m.

Mickey Ballard, Minister of Music, asked that an announcement from the Worship Team be added to the agenda under New Business. The agenda was approved as amended.

The minutes of the March 15, 2009, regular business meeting were approved as presented.

The minutes of the Special-Called Business Meetings of May 17, 2009, and May 31, 2009, were approved as presented.

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT by Mike Reed, Chair

The Finance Committee report was distributed with the agenda. Total receipts are \$790,431.30 through May which is ahead of budget. However, our receipts are only 89% of target which is less than last year. Our giving and attendance are down 10%. So this is a concern.

Total Designated Funds is \$1,024,639.73. Two-thirds of this is the Building to Glorify Fund.

On the Balance Sheet our biggest tangible value is of course, the building. Our debt level is \$3.9 million which is a matter of concern. We need to be in prayer about this.

We received a good report from the auditors. Nancy Jo Wallace did an excellent job in preparing for the audit.

The detailed report is attached at the end of these official minutes.

Motion to accept the Finance Committee Report passed.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE by Erv Yoder, Chair

Mr. Yoder presented the report which was distributed with the agenda.

Bob Seifert pointed out that there are steering and A/C problems with the bus used to go to Mississippi. We also need to look at being able to haul the trailer with the bus because of the liability an individual incurs pulling it with a private vehicle.

Rick Thomas said the Transportation Committee has already looked at the problems. It is unsafe to pull the trailer with the bus. The church has to assume the liability. Jonathan had a 75-mile restriction which was asked to be lifted to travel further. We need to replace Jonathan with another bus, however, the cost is \$50,000 and we do not have enough money currently.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE by Lori Cobb, Chair

Ms. Cobb presented the Nominating Committee report which was distributed with the agenda. This included a motion detailing the Disaster Relief Committee and the use of the disaster relief/service trailer:

Motion: The disaster relief/service trailer will be used by the church for the purpose of disaster relief/missions and the service needs of the church and community. All use of the

trailer will be according to the policies and procedures established by the disaster relief committee. The trailer will be housed on church property so it will be accessible to the church. The committee will oversee the coordination of volunteers, recruitment of volunteers and the appropriate training that is required by the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Composition: 9 at-large members (3 of which must be trained in disaster relief: Men's Director, Missions representative).

Staff Liaison: Facilities Manager, Minister of Education/Discipleship.

There were several comments concerning the safety of the trailer housed at the church. There was also the concern that not being housed at the church limits availability for use.

Keith Stinson explained that there are several thousand dollars of equipment on the trailer. He assured the church that it is not a matter of keeping it away from others, but trying to keep track of the equipment as well as keeping the equipment maintained so that it is ready for use on short notice.

Ms Cobb withdrew the motion.

Motion to approve additions to the Officers and Committee Roster.

Motion carried.

The detailed report is attached at the end of these official minutes.

DEACONS REPORT by Bob Seifert

Mr. Seifert presented the following motion from the Deacons. (This is in response to a motion made at the March 15 Business Meeting to consider changing the schedule of regularly scheduled business meetings to more than four times a year.)

1. That the church hold business meetings every odd month.
2. That the Sunday format for the meeting be retained as is, with the meeting being held after the 11:00 a.m. worship service and with a potluck meal associated with it.
3. That a cap of 1.5 hours for each meeting be observed unless otherwise decided for that meeting by vote of meeting attendees during any specific business session.
4. That if the church currently allows a group, such as the youth group, to "cater" a meal as a fundraiser for the group, we continue to support that approach.

Question: Originally the suggestion was to have the business meetings at various days/times. Was that considered?

Answer: Yes, However, the optional Wednesday and Sunday nights do not draw enough members.

Question: What research has been done to determine this?

Answer: We have held business meetings on Wednesday nights and also Sunday nights. The number of attendees was small.

Question: Has attendance increased for Sunday after 11:00 service?

Answer: Very much so.

Motion passed.

Motion that the following reports distributed with the agenda be approved:
Sunday School, Life Development, Discipleship, Senior Adult Ministries, Grow, Women's
Ministry, Men's Ministry, Preschool & Children's Ministry.

Motion seconded.

Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Church Letter:

Judy Lynn Abner McKnight from First Baptist Church, London, KY

Ed and Karen Doherty from Red House Baptist Church, Richmond, KY

Donna Mitchell from Anchor Baptist Church, Richmond, KY

Charles & Shirley Parks from Red House Baptist Church, Richmond, KY

Dell Robbins from Unity Baptist Church, Richmond, KY

Juanita Seale from Cornerstone Baptist Church, Inverness, FL

Letters granted.

Other Correspondence

Vickie Medley has requested that her name be removed from our membership roll. She stated that she has moved her membership to a church in Lexington. Email was received from Vickie on April 13, 2009.

Mickey Ballard, Minister of Music, made an announcement as to the effect of the government's termination of analog broadcasts and the auctioning of bandwidth in the 700 MHz has on First Baptist Church wireless components.

The Church Clerk requested that Mr. Ballard supply a written statement to be included with the minutes. That complete statement was filed with the clerk and is attached at the end of these minutes.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Nancy Garriott, Church Clerk

Explanation of Phases

Detailed report is attached at the end of the official minutes.

A verbal or written report was presented at the business meeting. A summary is contained in the minutes. The complete/detailed report is on file with the clerk's minutes. Available in the Church Office during normal business hours.

Filed with the Clerk. Attached at the end of these minutes.

Report was not presented at the Business Meeting. A copy of the entire report is attached at the end of the minutes distributed to attendees.