

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Church Council of First Baptist Church of Midland, Texas met for its regular meeting on Monday, October 16, 2017. Members present were: Danny Campbell, Doug Noah, Justin Dockrey, Roland Moreland, Charlotte Cooke, Lucretia Franklin, Tom Scott, Dennis Johnson, Perry Taylor, Clark Butts, Pete Schrenkel, Debby Gilliam, Denise Beckham, K'Lynn Roberts, Randy Cotton, Richard Jolly, Tom Hanna, Jason Sims, April Paris, Holley Pinson and Art Hobbs. Staff members present: Darin Wood and Larry Grimes.

Chairman Danny Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

REPORTS

Deacon Body – Greg West

Mr. West reported that the 2017-2018 Deacon body officers are as follows: Andy Cobb (VC) and Christian Cotton (Sec). Tom Hanna continues to serve as the deacon family coordinator. The Deacon Family Ministry is currently reprioritizing deacons and families with minimum set expectations. Discussions are taking place concerning deacon training and evangelical training.

Committee Reports

Missions – Jimmy Bridges

Mr. Bridges gave a brief report on the mission partners the Church has helped in September.

Child Care – Charlotte Cooke

No Report.

Finance – Randy Cotton

Mr. Cotton presented the September 2017 financial report. (see last page)

General Nominating – Lucretia Franklin

No Report.

Maintenance and Expansion – Tom Scott

1. The Committee had a great year and is grateful to Jim Hansen and his efforts.

Membership – Denise Beckham

The Council reviewed the additions and losses to the membership. The additions to the church totaled sixteen with thirteen membership losses. These sixteen will be voted on at the October 2017 Church Conference. Total church membership is 8,536.

Ms. Beckham discussed initial conversations with Life Touch. Life Touch is the photography business that provides potential opportunities for an on-line member directory as well as hard copies provided.

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Personnel – Danny Campbell

Mr. Campbell stated Mr. Noah will discuss any items in his report.

Transportation – Pete Schrenkel

No Report.

Safety and Security Committee

Mr. Grimes gave a brief report on the continued progress of the committee.

Unfinished Business

- 1. Motion to move the following two items to the 2017-2018 Church Council: the Selection Criteria proposed revisions and the proposed changes to the Child Protection Committee from the September 2017 Church Conference, made by Doug Noah, seconded, and unanimously approved.*

Chairman's Report – Danny Campbell (out- going)/ Doug Noah (in- coming)

Mr. Campbell gave his closing remarks to the Council stating that the Church is in better shape today in all areas than it has been in a long time. Mr. Campbell thanked the outgoing Council members as well as Dr. Wood and Mr. Grimes.

Mr. Noah reminded the Council that all business shall be the Lord's business. He also discussed the following: 1. Perry Taylor will serve on Maintenance and Expansion. 2. Committee Chair and Vice Chair are responsible for their assigned committee. They will determine time and place in conjunction with the members at large. 3. Each Committee chair was charged with beginning a notebook highlighting committee discussion and policy changes made. This notebook is to serve as an educational tool and a continuum of knowledge for subsequent members.

With appreciation for their service; Art Hobbs, Danny Campbell, Dennis Johnson, Pete Schrenkel, and Justin Dockrey were excused.

New Business

- 1. Nomination made by executive council to approve Richard Jolly as 2017-2018 Vice Chair of Church Council. No other nominations were put forth. Motion was made by Chairman Doug Noah, seconded and unanimously approved.*
- 2. Nomination made by executive council to approve Holley Pinson as 2017-2018 Secretary of Church Council. No other nominations were put forth. Motion was made by Chairman Doug Noah, seconded and unanimously approved.*
- 3. Motion to approve 2017-2018 Deacon Nominating Committee members: Andy Cobb, chairman, Lazaro Diaz, Brandon Pinson, Fred Schantz, Kay Burchard, and Wilma Roberts, seconded and unanimously approved. Motion to approve the 2017-2018 Sunday School, Music, and Missions volunteer leadership as presented by the General Nominating Committee,*

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seconded, and unanimously approved.

4. *Motion to approve the 2017-2018 Church Officers and Church Trustees as presented by the General Nominating Committee, seconded, and unanimously approved.*
5. *Motion to approve the 2017-2018 Sunday School, Music, and Missions volunteer leadership as presented by the General Nominating Committee, seconded, and unanimously approved.*
6. *General discussion concerning the frequency of Church Conference meetings.*
7. *General discussion concerning potential opportunities to vote on the church floor via electronics.*
8. *Motion to eliminate December and May Church Conference, seconded, and unanimously approved.*

Staff Reports

Senior Pastor – Darin Wood

1. *Dr. Wood expressed his vision and heart for the 2017-2018 Church Council year. Each member is a spiritual leader within this local body of believers. We were each charged with pastoring our individual areas and communicating the heart of Council. He also made reference to the 210 Project beginning in January. This project is a tool to assist in the “spurring on” of spiritual growth within the Church Council and hopefully beyond.*
2. *Dr. Wood challenged the Council to lead in communication efforts.*
3. *Dr. Wood encouraged comradery among council members as well as a mutual trust and respect.*

Business Administrator – Larry Grimes

1. *Mr. Grimes directed the Council to read his report within the ministerial reports.*

Ministerial Reports – Reports in meeting packet reviewed individually by Council members

08:44 PM adjourned with a closing prayer.

Holley Pinson, Secretary

Date Approved