



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Church Council of First Baptist Church of Midland, Texas met for its regular meeting on Monday, April 16, 2018. Members present were: Doug Noah, Lucretia Franklin, Debby Gilliam, Denise Beckham, Richard Jolly, Tom Hanna, Jason Sims, April Paris, Holley Pinson, Kim Ortega, Greg West, Tracye Vaughan, Tom Scott, Perry Taylor, Charlotte Cooke and K'Lynn Roberts. Staff members present: Larry Grimes.

Chairman Doug Noah called the meeting to order at 7:05PM.

Prayer

Meeting Minutes for March 19, 2018 were reviewed and approved as amended.

REPORTS

Staff Reports

Senior Pastor - Darin Wood

Dr. Wood is in Africa this evening.

210 Project continued- Larry Grimes

God has given us 4 assets of our calling:

1. Personality
2. Spiritual Gift(s)
3. Passion
4. Our Story

Colossians 3:17

Business Administrator - Larry Grimes

Mr. Grimes asked that members review the Ministerial Reports enclosed in their packets.

Deacon Body - Greg West

Deacons meeting was April 9th. Mr. West gave the following update: 1. Vernon Stokes and James Upham have elected to move to emeritus status. 2. Deacons spent time in prayer and had a time of personal testimony. 3. Deacons shared specific needs and their hearts. Mr. West shared a couple of examples; Laz Diaz has been burdened for follow-up for benevolence and Keith Skaar has a burden for Rock the Desert and individuals not being able to attend due to expensive motels, etc. - perhaps people will open their homes.

On April 12, 2018, the Deacon Nominating Committee met and interviewed Scott Daw, Patrick Mayers, and Danny Eoff.

Danny Eoff was previously ordained as deacon at a prior church. Danny has been approved by the deacon body and will be presented at ordination council to become an active deacon.

On April 12, 2018, the ordination council met and interviewed Patrick Mayer and Scott Daw. The council agreed that these men should be presented to the church body for ordination and final approval.



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Ordination council will be April 29th.

Committee Reports

Chairman's Report - Doug Noah

Dallas King has begun working as the Production Assistant.

Emalee Balu left FBC to work for The Life Center and Kelly O'Brien is now the Financial Assistant-Payroll Practitioner.

The Missions Minister Search Committee is meeting to pray weekly and April 29th will be the first official meeting. Mike Mayer, Mission Search committee chair, is currently traveling with Watch and Pray Ministries.

Eva Diaz is serving as interim Missions Minister. Please pray for her. Personnel voted to give her additional monies while in the interim position.

Mr. Noah reported that the music associate position was eliminated in order to upgrade the associate media position.

Mr. Noah reiterated that new staff positions are not being created. We are merely filling existing vacancies. We no longer have secretaries but rather they are defined as ministry assistants.

Missions - Jimmy Bridges

No report

Child Care - Charlotte Cooke

The committee met to pray. Volunteers are desperately needed in the preschool area. The 11:05 service has the greatest need. Childcare is so important for our young families. The childcare committee would like to begin contacting directors and Sunday school teachers to educate and motivate people to help in preschool.

Finance - Randy Cotton

Mr. Sims presented the March 2018 financial report (see report attached).

Tom Hanna presented a new version of the financial highlights and review page. The page is intended to make financial review easier and more streamlined. The Finance Committee approved the highlights and review page. The page will be distributed possibly at the June conference meeting.

General Nominating - Lucretia Franklin

Lucretia Franklin presented a motion by the General Nominating Committee to approve the following group facilitators for AUX on Wednesday nights: Eva Diaz, Marilyn Samaguey, Flo Akintunji, Shelden Kinnison, Joshua Sparks, Jonathan Cotton, Jenny LaCroix, Cassey Cotton, Jeff Kuhnenn, and Matt Fitzgerald, the vote passed unanimously.

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Maintenance and Expansion - Clark Butts

No Report

Membership - Denise Beckham

1. The Council reviewed the additions and losses to the membership. The additions to the church totaled thirteen with three membership losses and two deaths. These thirteen additions will be voted on at the March 2018 Church Conference. Total church membership is 8,523.
2. Ms. Beckham gave a brief review of the Membership Committee meeting regarding the church directory. 1. Sign up is still available on-line. 2. The committee will meet soon to choose a cover for the pictorial directory. 3. The committee will begin getting pictures of home bound members. 4. So far, 597 FBC members have signed up for directory pictures. Not many young families have signed up.
3. In addition, the membership committee is trying to cull through the membership role. Shelby, the on-line computer system, apparently has 32,000 entries for FBC membership.
4. Mr. Grimes stated that the new system that may take Shelby's place will most likely charge FBC for each member on the role.

Personnel - Doug Noah

Refer to Chairman's report

Transportation - Roland Moreland

John Elliot is currently getting quotes for vehicles, hopefully before summer time.

Safety and Security Committee- Tom Scott

Mr. Scott stated that the committee met to update what each subcommittee is doing. The committee is progressing toward action items and budget. Some of the members attended a training for church safety and security.

Committee on Committee -

Mr. West presented a motion by the Committee on Committees to approve Lela Kaufman, Shannon Merritt, and Dwayne Garnett the for Safety and Security Committee. Lucretia Franklin seconded, and the vote passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Jason Sims moved to approve Chad Clark for church vote and ordination as a Minister of the Gospel Ministry. Greg West seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Noah stated that the Selection Criteria content that was voted on in last month's Church Council Meeting Minutes April 16, 2018



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meeting was not quite ready for church presentation in the March Conference meeting. Also Dr. Wood wanted to confirm with a few members that they were comfortable with the selection criteria as it passed unanimously. The work of the selection criteria was postponed a couple of days after the March Church Council meeting.

Mrs. Pinson worked on a selection criteria presentation that would simply present the information as voted on in the last Council meeting. She reviewed the presentation packet with the Church Council. The body of the report begins with a brief background and purpose of the work written by Mr. Noah. Mrs. Pinson continued to explain the verbiage as currently stated in the Governance Documents, followed by the recommendations for amendment by Church Council. Two charts are included. The first chart contains a summary of the selection criteria as it exists today. The second chart contains a summary of the proposed changes by Church Council.

If this work is approved tonight, the information will be presented in the next church conference and then a special called church conference will be called in May. Discussion followed.

After the Church Council reviewed the presentation of the Selection Criteria, it was approved unanimously.

Mr. Noah reported that Dr. Wood and Mr. Grimes identified key Sunday school departments that might appreciate a face to face opportunity to ask Council members questions concerning the Selection Criteria. Mr. Noah prepared a few potential questions that could be a concern. Discussion followed.

Members volunteered to visit these Sunday School Departments between the April Conference meeting and the Special called meeting on May 20, 2018.

New Business

None

9:55 PM adjourned with a closing prayer.

Holley Pinson, Secretary

Date Approved