

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Church Council of First Baptist Church of Midland, Texas met for its regular meeting on Monday, October 15, 2018. Members present were: Doug Noah, Debby Gilliam, Richard Jolly, Tom Hanna, Jason Sims, Holley Pinson, Greg West, Clark Butts, Kim Ortega, April Paris, Greg West, Tracye Vaughn, Toni Redmen, Patrick Mayers, Tom Scott, Ralph Lea, Scott Daw, Jayna Hobby, Andy Cobb, K'Lynn Roberts, Roland Moreland, Jimmy Bridges, Mike Mayer and Perry Taylor. Staff members present: Dr. Wood and Cindy Eoff.

Chairman Doug Noah called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Prayer was offered.

Meeting Minutes for September 24, 2018 were approved.

REPORTS

Staff Reports

Senior Pastor - Darin Wood

Dr. Wood extended gratitude to those beginning their Church Council service and to those who have completed their service.

Dr. Wood prayed for the new year and the new Church Council.

Dr. Wood acknowledged the new carts transporting people from Sunday School class to worship services.

Tomorrow morning, Cory Brand, Bryan Pinson and Dr. Wood will leave for Toronto. They will meet with Brett Porter. Please pray for them.

Dr. Wood is very pleased with the FBC Ministerial team.

Dr. Wood asked Church Council to be the spiritual leaders of our church. Please spend time in prayer and God's word. He asked for help to find new committee members for the next year.

Dr. Wood opened the floor for questions. No questions were asked.

Business Administrator - Larry Grimes

No report. Please review the Ministerial reports. (See attached report)

Deacon Body - Andy Cobb

Deacons met in September. Randy Cotton will be Deacon Vice Chair and Jonathan Cotton will be Deacon Secretary.

Mr. Cobb reported that a few changes were made to the Deacon Family Ministry.

Mr. Cobb reported deacons will meet bimonthly. Each deacon will have an accountability partner.

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Committee Reports

Chairman's Report - Doug Noah

The next meeting will be in the new conference room. Mr. Noah asked everyone to please read the Ministerial reports.

Staff anniversary cards and staff birthday cards were circulated.

Missions - Jimmy Bridges

The Missions Committee will meet next week.

Child Care - Charlotte Cook

No report.

Finance - Tom Hanna

Mr. Hanna presented the September 2018 financial report (see report attached).

General Nominating - K'Lynn Roberts

K'Lynn Roberts moved on behalf of the General Nominating Committee to approve the volunteers as presented for service. Jimmy Bridges seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Roberts then requested possible nominations for Committee on Committees.

Andy Cobb asked if relaxing the criteria helped in filling committee positions. Holley Pinson and Greg West indicated that it did help. Mr. West and Mrs. Pinson indicated that additional changes might be helpful.

Maintenance and Expansion - Clark Butts

Mr. Butts gave a general update concerning the Cuthbert construction process.

Garfield will be closed for drainage purposes.

A Great House concept is currently being assessed in lieu of mission houses. The committee will travel to Junction to study the Blaylock Great House facility. Steve Blaylock has agreed to offer suggestions.

Membership - K'Lynn Roberts

Church Council reviewed the additions and losses to the membership. The additions to the church totaled fifteen, with four membership losses and one death. These fifteen additions will be voted on at the October 2018 Church Conference. Total active resident members are 2,952.

The member directory will be delivered soon.

Dr. Wood gave a brief overview of the non-resident status.

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Personnel – Doug Noah

Mr. Noah feels so many good things are happening in our church and we have so many fine staff members. Please pray for them.

One position needs to be filled in the Business Office.

Transportation – Roland Moreland

No report.

Mr. Noah added that one future goal is to keep the transportation fleet more current.

Safety and Security Committee – Tom Scott

Mr. Scott reported that the committee continues to move forward with the “action list”.

Old Business

Greg West gave a brief overview of additional at-large volunteers to the Missions Committee. Mr. West moved on behalf of Committee on Committee to approve 2018-2019 Missions at-Large members as presented. Mike Mayer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. West moved on behalf of Committee on Committee to approve 2018-2019 FBC Foundation members as presented. Jimmy Bridges seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. West requested a review of the committee members approved at Church Council for accuracy.

Mr. Noah gave a special thanks to Church Council members who have completed their service.

Dr. Jolly gave a special thanks to Mr. Noah as Chairman of Council. He presented Mr. Noah a gift of thanks.

Doug Noah, Holley Pinson, Debby Gilliam, Tom Scott, Roland Moreland, Greg West, and Jimmy Bridges were excused.

New Business

The new and returning Church Council members for 2018-19 were all welcomed by Richard Jolly. The election of officers for 2018-19 was then held. The Executive Committee had previously nominated Clark Moreland for Secretary, Jason Sims for Vice Chair, and Richard Jolly for Chair. An opportunity was given for other nominations from the floor. None were provided. A verbal vote was held and the three nominated were unanimously elected.

Committee assignments for the 2018-19 year were then reviewed. It was noted that Scott Daw was slated to serve on the Missions Committee as well as the Finance Committee, as Vice Chair. Because these two committees meet at the same time, another deacon would be assigned to the Missions Committee. A full membership list of all Church Council Committees with contact information would be emailed to all Church Council Chairs that week.

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A discussion of the 2017-18 budget surplus occurred. Tom Hanna, Chair of the Finance Committee, will be discussing the needs of the church with the Finance Committee and making recommendations to the Surplus Committee. April Paris requested that consideration be given to assisting two Baptist churches affected by recent hurricanes with a portion of the surplus budget.

Mr. Jolly reminded everyone that the next Church Council meeting would be held early next month on November 12th because of the Thanksgiving holidays. A new meeting site will be E 109, just south down the hall from the Parlor.

All committee chairs were encouraged to set their committee meetings soon and to contact their members. They also should contact the 2017-18 committee chairs for a transition notebook and previous information on their committee. Mr. Jolly asked everyone to be prompt for the next meeting which will begin at 7:00 PM and hopefully end before 9:00 PM. Everyone was thanked for their attendance and willingness to serve this next year.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Holley Pinson, Secretary, 2017-18
Clark Moreland, Secretary, 2018-19

Date Approved