

MYRTLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
5920 Lillian Highway, Pensacola, FL 32506 -- 850-455-7389
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON November 19, 2014

The Regular Business Meeting was held on November 19, 2014, at 6:00pm. The meeting was held in the fellowship hall and was opened in prayer.

CLERK'S BUSINESS: Bonnie Quinley presented the minutes of the October 22, 2014, Regular Business Meeting as printed in the November Business Meeting package. Motion to approve by Chuck Keistler and seconded by George Butler. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Requests for Letters of church membership: for October
None

New members to be approved: for September

Profession of Faith: Brenden Becker, Robert Durden, Amanda Bean, Janette Perry, Rachel Smith, Deseray White, Buddy Smith, Roy Pettaway

Statement of Faith: Nancy McNair

Letter: None

Motion to approve by George Butler and seconded by Joe Cato. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Richard Main presented the Financial Report for October as presented in the November Business Meeting package. We are well within the firewall.

Motion to approve by Freddie Zayas and seconded by Jack Windley. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

WMU: Barbara Thorsen presented a recommendation to adopt the Lottie Moon Christmas offering goal in the amount of \$10,000. Motion was seconded by Keely Zayas. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Finance Committee: John Bonelli presented the recommendation to adopt the 2015 church budget in the amount of \$906,130.90. The 2014 budget was \$896,166.29. Vote was taken by secret ballot and passed by 100% (63 yes and 0 no). **APPROVED** by secret ballot.

House and Grounds Committee: Richard Main presented a recommendation from the committee concerning Building Security. The recommendation includes enhanced security by adding magnetic locks. audio intercom (there will be an intercom on secretary's desk for response), enhanced video camera with color with a 90-day retention period. This camera will also take pictures. The information can be downloaded to a computer. Key personnel and staff will have access cards for entry. The Preschool Learning Center (PLC) staff will have access by key to the glass door by the covered walkway. The request is for \$7,500 for the enhanced security. **Question:** Cheryl Stacy asked from which budget fund the money will be taken. **Answer:** The funds will come from the Emergency Fund. **Question:** Nancy McNair asked how the audio intercom would work. **Answer:** There will be an intercom on the

secretary's desk for response. **Question:** Freddie Zayas asked about the security for the PLC. **Answer:** The PLC has its own security in place. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Deacons Committee: John Bonelli presented the recommendation that the church offices be closed Thursday and Friday. Also, it is requested that the staff be allowed to leave Wednesday after all work is completed. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Pastoral Recommendation: Pastor Ron Lentine recommended that \$700 to \$800 of the designated \$5,000 budget item be used for support of the Christian Social Ministries (CSM) Christmas outreach program. Listed below are items for discussion:

1. The toy of the month is meant to supplement the outreach program. It is not a substitute for adoption of a family by church members or classes.
2. Gifts are only provided to children 15 years of age and under.
3. Each family requesting assistance is interviewed by CSM, there are no backdoor deals.
4. No family is promised anything, only that we will try to help. Families that we can help, are called personally and given a date/time when to come to church for pickup of gifts.
5. Last year at the time CSM had several hundred dollars in donations from church members. This year, CSM has about \$90.00 so far and time is getting short.
6. Walt and the youth department will shop for the actual gifts and assist with wrapping.
7. Because of the low financial and toy support this year, CSM would like to supplement the Christmas outreach with available CSM designated funds in order to support as many needy families as possible.

Motion to approve by John Bonelli and seconded by David Mason. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

OLD BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Freddie Zayas and seconded by Alicia McFarlane. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Bonnie Quinley, Church Clerk

Ron Lentine, Moderator