

MYRTLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
5920 Lillian Highway, Pensacola, FL 32506 – 850-455-7389  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON February 18, 2015

The Regular Business Meeting was held on February 18, 2015 at 6:00 pm. The meeting was held in the sanctuary and was opened in prayer.

**CLERK'S BUSINESS:** Jo Whiddon, filling in for Bonnie Quinley, presented the minutes of the January 21, 2015 Regular business meeting. Motion to approve by George Butler and seconded by Ron Lowe. **Approved** by show of hands.

**New Members to be approved:** for January

**Profession of Faith:** Casie Leach

**Statement of Faith:** None

**Letter:** None

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Richard Main presented the Financial Report for January as presented in the February Business Meeting package.

**COMMENT:** A question regarding an item listed on the Schedule of Designated Accounts arose. The item is Love Offering in the amount of \$4,815.89. This is money contributed to cover miscellaneous expenses – such as replacing burned out lights around the grounds of the church. The expense for this would run about \$2,000.00. Ken Brock who works for Gulf Power took care of this for the church at no expense. There is an excess of \$1,500 in the love offering account.

**RECOMMENDATION:** A recommendation is being made by the finance committee to use \$1,500.00 from the Love Offering account to cover the expenses of the Senior Revival slated for March 16, 17, and 18, 2015. Motion to approve made by Margie Stone and seconded by Jim Taylor. **Approved** by show of hands.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The pastor made a request that Myrtle Grove Baptist Church hold an ordination service for two candidates to the ministry: Paul Porterfield and Willie Spears.

Paul Porterfield, Pastor of Cathedral of His Love Church stated that he would like for his church to become aligned with the Southern Baptist Convention. Bro. Porterfield was a pastor in the Church of God, but feels his beliefs align more with those of the Baptist Faith. Pastor Ron has assisted Bro. Porterfield in satisfying the requirements to be ordained, along with the help of Dr. Bob Greene, Director of the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association.

Willie Spears is one of our members and also has a background in the Church of God. Mr. Spears also feels his beliefs align with those of the Southern Baptist Convention. Mr. Spears does a great deal of speaking and has preached at Myrtle Grove as well.

These candidates have met all the requirements by the Southern Baptist of Florida and will be interviewed by the deacons and yokefellows. Upon approval Bro. Porterfield and Willie Spears will be ordained in the evening service on March 8, 2015.

**DEACON RECOMMENDATION:** John Bonelli on behalf of the deacons and yokefellows recommend the ordination of Paul Porterfield and Willie Spears as Southern Baptist Ministers. **Approved** by show of hands.

**DEACON RECOMMENDATION:** John Bonelli on behalf of the deacons and yokefellows recommend Ray Linnville to finish term of vacancy on deacon board. Secret ballot waived. **Approved** by show of hands.

**WMU RECOMMENDATION:** Barbara Thorsen recommends a \$6,000 goal for Annie Armstrong Offering be accepted for 2015. Motion to approve by Ron Lowe and seconded by Jim Taylor. **Approved** by show of hands.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** Johnny Jernigan presented, on behalf of the Personnel Committee, Guidelines for Volunteer Nursery Workers. There are no guidelines at this time. The Committee recommends we approve these guidelines. **Approved** by show of hands.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Lunch will be held after the morning worship service March 8, 2015. A \$7.00 donation is requested. A silent auction will be held after the meal. Proceeds will be used to help defray the cost of the mission trip in April.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn made by Ron Lowe and seconded by John Jernigan. **Approved** by show of hands.

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Jo Whiddon

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Ron Lentine, Moderator