

MYRTLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
5920 Lillian Highway, Pensacola, FL 32506 -- 850-455-7389  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON October 21, 2015

The Regular Business Meeting was held on October 21, 2015, at 6:00pm. The meeting was held in the fellowship hall and was opened in prayer.

**CLERK'S BUSINESS:** Jo Whiddon presented the minutes of the September, 23, 2015, Regular Business Meeting as printed in the October Business Meeting package.

Correction: Richard Main: I have a small correction on the second page, first question from Joe Cato regarding the baseboard update. The last sentence should have a period after the \$23,000.000. (Add) The total project will be about \$23,000.00. The baseboard will not be removed but quarter round will be added and stained to match the existing baseboard.

Motion to approve by Paul Sauls, and seconded by Kevin Simmons. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

**Requests for Letters of church membership:** for September:

None

**New members to be approved:** for September:

**Profession of Faith:** Sara McGinnis, Amy Kamansky, Preston Myers, Raegan Myers, Travis Meyer, Jacque Meyer.

**Statement of Faith:** None

**Letter:** None

Motion to approve by Don Whiddon and seconded by Richard Main.. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Richard Main presented the Financial Report for September as presented in the October Business Meeting package. Comment: Richard Main: We are a little low for September. We are under the firewall.

Statement: Chuck Keistler: I am looking at contributions received, our contributions needed for thirty-nine Sundays, expenses paid, and our deficit. Then on Sundays we see a different picture. It is based on the last twelve months. The last one that I saw showed approximately \$82,000 deficit. If I am coming to visit this church and I see that in the bulletin, I am going to wonder what is wrong with this church. I personally believe that if we close the books for 2014, we should start the new books for 2015. If we show this picture in the bulletin, contributions for thirty-nine Sundays contributions needed and show a deficit. If a motion is in order, I make a motion that we change the way we report it on Sunday mornings.

Comment: Richard Main: That is up to the Finance committee to propose those figures.

Comment: Kevin Simmons: I agree with Richard. The figures came from the Finance committee. It may be a good idea to have the Finance committee review this motion. I make the motion that this motion be tabled to allow the Finance committee to review it.

Comment: Chuck Kesitler: Accepted the motion to table the motion until the Finance committee has reviewed it.

Recommendation: Chuch Kesitler: I recommend to the Finance committee to look at reducing the budget for 2015 by the amount that would have been paid to Ron Pouliot. It is about \$14,200. That would show a new picture if the budget were reduced. It would show a difference in the deficit as well.

Question: Cami Simons: Chuck you mean the difference of what we were paying Ron as of the beginning of September 2015.

Answer: Chuck Keistler: Yes.

Motion to approve the budget presented for September was made by Chuck Keistler and seconded by Joe Cato. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

**NEW BUSINESS :**

**Personnel Committee:** Chuck Keistler presented the following motion from the Personnel Committee. As most of you know, we are not going to replace Ron Pouliot's position as a full position. In order to cover the Children's Ministry position we need guidelines for those who are filling on Wednesday and Sunday nights.

The Personnel Committee has developed the position descriptions for both a Director of Children's Ministry and Children's Ministry Worker/Volunteer. Hopefully, we will have volunteers. If we don't we will have to hire someone. This is because of risk management there has to be at least two adults present when we have young children. So far we have volunteers which would cover either one wherever we are going.

**Question:** Kay Main: Will the director's position be paid? What will be the salary?

**Answer:** Yes, it will be paid about \$9 to \$10 per hour.

Motion to approve job descriptions for Director of Children's Ministry and Children's Ministry Worker/Volunteer were approved by show of hands, with one person opposed. **APPROVED** by show of the majority of hands.

**Finance Committee:** Richard Main presented the 2016 Proposed Church Budget for discussion. The proposed budget has been previewed by the Personnel, Committee Finance Committee, and the Deacon body and is recommended by the church leadership. There was a question/answer discussion session on the budget. The budget will be presented at next month's business meeting for approval by secret ballot.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Pastor announced the picnic and baptism at the bay | Sunday at the Blue Angel Park.

John Bonelli asked for prayer for the IMB missionaries regarding proposed early retirements.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by John Bonelli and seconded by Joe Cato. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

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Bonnie Quinley, Church Clerk

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Ron Lentine, Moderator