

MYRTLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
5920 Lillian Highway, Pensacola, FL 32506 – 850-455-7389
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON February 27, 2019

The Regular Business Meeting was held on February 27, 2019, at 6:00 pm. The meeting was held in the worship center and was opened in prayer.

CLERK'S BUSINESS: Betty Scurlock presented the Regular Business Meeting minutes of January 23, 2019, as printed in the February business meeting package. Motion to approve by Paul Sauls and seconded by Sylvia Sauls. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Requests for letters of church membership: January: None

Presentation of new members for January:

By Letter: Joseph & Lorenda Holberg

By Statement Faith: Ulycee Barnett.

By Profession of Faith: David McDonald.

Motion to approve by David Mason and seconded by Joe Mahuron. **APPROVED** by show of hands

TREASURER'S REPORT: Chuck Keistler presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of January, which is printed on the page titled MGBC Financial Summary as of January 31, 2019, and as printed in the February business meeting package. The checking balance as of today is \$16,727.70. The mortgage balance as of today is \$42,930.46. Cami made a payment from the church pledges for the mortgage, which reduced the amount of the mortgage interest balance. If you notice last month the balance was a little over \$53,000. Motion to approve by Roy Emond and seconded by Ray Linnville. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nominating Committee: Recommendation to add Johnnette Sims and Tonja Caro to the committee. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Committee on Committees: At the request of Neil Summerford, John Bonelli made the following recommendations: We have a Safety and Security Committee that was established some months ago. We have several names to submit for the committee. The committee is made up of six voting members, a deacon, ex officio, and Chris Larsen as the church contact member. Members are listed as follows: Ray Winstead, Joe Holberg, Richard Slack, Wayne Yeargain, John Churchill, and Roland Koomen, Chairman. Neil will select the vice chairman and secretary. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Deacons/Yokefellows: John Bonelli made the following recommendations:

March, 3, 2019, no evening services; we will meet at First Baptist Church of Warrington.

March 17, 2019, no evening services; annual Unity March and Rally.

April 21, 2019, no evening services; Easter Sunday,

April 28, 2019, no evening services; Homecoming,

All recommendations were **APPROVED** by show of hands.

NOTE CORRECTIONS: The following corrections are made to the January business meeting minutes.

Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019, there will be no services.

Myrtle Grove Baptist Church's anniversary is April 28, 2019.

Pastor Search Committee : Roy Emond presented a report from the committee. When you are approaching something like this, we as the committee, humble ourselves in prayer and meditation on a regular basis. One of the things that God has done in honoring that work is the unity in the committee. It seems like every time there is a decision to make, the committee's agreement has been unanimous. When you pray for God's will, how do you know that you are in His will when it happens? How do you know that you are in God's will? Well, you get confirmation. This morning I was under a deep conflict over something and you do not need to know what it was. I was just wondering how we are going to solve this problem. Just after I had sent out an email and prayed on it, I got a phone call within thirty seconds that solved the problem. That's confirmation folks. That is how you know that when the things that are troubling you are confirmed, poof they flash away. I have been a Christian for 55 years this year and it still amazes me. That's why they call it amazing grace. We are closer to the end than we were in the beginning. We cannot give you any timetable on things because there a lot of steps that have to take place. We are going to be very neat and tidy about this. We are going to be God honoring in this. Please pray for the committee. Pray for the people who are under consideration and their families because it doesn't just affect a pastor, but also the family (as we well know). Now I will answer your questions.

Question: When the committee has gotten down to their selection, will the congregation be able to hear them preach?

Answer: Roy Emond: There will be a "Call to Preach" weekend. The candidate will meet with the deacons/yokefellows Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon the candidate will meet with the congregation for questions and answers. Sunday the candidate will preach the sermon. Following the sermon, the congregation will vote.

Missions Committee: Chris Larsen presented a recommendation to adopt the 2019 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering goal in the amount of \$4,000. **APPROVED** by show of hands.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Joe Mahuron and seconded by Chuck Keistler, **APPROVED** by show of hands.

Betty Scurlock, Acting Church Clerk

Ron Lentine, Moderator