

MYRTLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON JUNE 22, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: Josh Morea

CLERK'S BUSINESS: Johnette Sims presented the Regular Business Meeting Minutes for June 22, 2022.

Motion to approve by Rachael Long; seconded by Beverly Solchenberger. Approved by all ayes.

REQUESTS FOR LETTERS OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: From Bethany Andalusia Baptist Church, Andalusia, AL for the letters of Kevin & Alicia Simmons.

Motion to approve by Joe Cato; seconded by Sue Halfhill. Approved by all ayes.

NEW MEMBERS TO BE APPROVED: By Statement: Pauline Holsinger, Darrell & Robin Crush.

Motion to approve by Ellen Guerin; seconded by Glenda Fillingim. Approved by all ayes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Chuck Keistler. Shortages are still occurring between contributions and expenses, however all bills are being paid.

Motion to approve by Kathy Lewallyn; seconded by Tony McFarlane. Approved by all ayes.

COMMITTEE/TEAM REPORTS: Ad Hoc Bus Committee report presented by Sue Halfhill. A 2012 15 passenger bus was found, handicapped equipped with luggage compartments and additional space. It has 47,000 miles and air conditioned. Location is just outside New York City and priced at \$29,000.00. A love offering was made by a member of this church for \$30,000.00 to cover the cost. The church will either have the seller (company) arrange for the transport to Pensacola or we will send two (2) people to drive it back.

Q by Felicia Kiwak; How long is the bus (dimensions)? A by Sue Halfhill; About the same as the old bus.

Q by Joe Cato; Has it been inspected for rust (salt used on icy streets in NY)? A by Sue Halfhill; The price is good even for some repairs but the bus will be checked for rust. Per Josh Morea, we have the ability to refuse if the bus is not up to our expectations.

Q by Mac MacKee; Did anyone check with CarMax? A by Sue Halfhill; Will check with Johnny Jernigan.

Q by Richard Solchenberger; Can we obtain a video of the bus? A by Sue Halfhill; We can do that.

Q by Alicia McFarlane; Does the bus come with tie downs? A by Sue Halfhill; we think so, but will confirm.

Q What about the tires? A by Sue Halfhill; That would not kill the deal because of the price, some expenses were anticipated.

Q by Mark McCraney; Is there a need for two (2) buses or will one (1) suffice? A by Josh Morea; Yes, two (2) are needed we had to scramble at the last minute to get all the children to Camp Baldwin.

Q by Francis Walding; What about leasing for the second bus? A by Sue Halfhill; We are looking into that.

Q What about insurance? A by Chris Larsen; Premium is about \$1500.00 for one (1) bus.

Q Will it double for two (2) buses? A by Chris Larsen; Don't know but will check.

Q by Preston Baswell; What are our liability amounts? A by Chris Larsen; Liability for the church is one million, don't know exactly, however the Insurance Team will check. The Finance Committee will then bring amount for a vote.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Committee on Committee Recommendations presented by Kathy Lewallyn.

The new Chairperson for the Ad Hoc Refresh Committee is Dallas Hansen.

Nominating Committee Recommendations presented by Chris Larsen. Chuck Keistler be Chairperson of the Finance Committee until the end of December 2022. Chuck Keistler will resign as Church Treasurer to assume the new position.

Recommend Donna Goldsby be new Treasurer, this will open a position for assistant treasurer.

Approval of all the above by all ayes.

Recommendation for Hispanic Ministry presented by Josh Morea. Pastor John is in need of space for his church as prior space at West Pensacola Baptist Church has expired. Per Adolfo Demontalvo, Pastor John has been an associate pastor for 20 years and a senior pastor for one (1), and Master's Degree. We have a Letter of Agreement.

Q by Mac MacKee; Costs such as utilities are not covered in the Agreement. A by Chris Larsen; This ministry would meet at the same times we meet and therefore would not add to our costs. Should be noted they wanted to contribute to some of the initial expenses.

Q by Preston Baswell; What about liability and is their ministry independent of ours? A by Josh Morea; The ministry would be covered by us and for now we take responsibility. Per Cami Simmons, in the past the Florida Baptist Convention sponsored the old Hispanic Ministry. This would become a MGBC ministry as was the Russian Ministry in the past.

Q Why are they moving? A by Josh Morea; prior agreement with West Pensacola Baptist expired, prior to that agreement their church in Gulf Breeze was destroyed by hurricane Sally.

Q by Preston Baswell; What is the time frame on the Agreement? A by Josh Morea; No time frame----until they are able to form their own church.

Q by Mac MacKee; Agreement says 12 months with two (2) months notification if ended. A by Josh Morea; That is correct.

Q by Mac MacKee; Will we have activities together? A by Josh Morea; Yes.

Motion to accept this new ministry until they form their own church made by Adolfo Demontalvo; seconded by Tony McFarlane. Accepted by all ayes.

Motion to Adjourn by Josh Morea by all standing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

CLOSING PRAYER: Cody Erskine.

Johnette Sims, Church Clerk

Josh Morea, Moderator

