

MYRTLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON NOVEMBER 15, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Josh Morea

CLERK'S BUSINESS: Minutes of the October 18, 2023, Business Meeting were presented by Johnette Sims. Motion to approve by Gene Fillingim; seconded by Sylvia Sauls. Approved by all ayes.

REQUESTS FOR LETTERS OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

From: First Baptist Church, Destin, FL for letter of Bradley Handrop.

From: First Baptist Church, Pensacola, FL for letter of David Lewallyn.

Motion to approve by Gene Fillingim; second by Sylvia Sauls. Approved by all ayes.

NEW MEMBERS TO BE APPROVED:

By Baptism: Christy Lutz, Laura Powell, Marci Powell, Kymani Alualu.

Motion to approve by Dennis Lewallyn; second by Randy Petuchov. Approved by all ayes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The October 2023 Financial Report was presented by Donna Goldsby. A church budget weekly comparison report was given for three years. Average weekly giving was as follows: 2021 - \$15,200; 2022 - \$14,200; 2023 - \$14,200; showing consistent giving for the last three years. October report shows \$58,600 in expenditures and \$70,200 in offerings. However the report for the year shows \$31,000 deficit in reaching the budget. The financial summary for October was presented as printed in the October business meeting package.

Motion to approve by Dennis Lewallyn; second by David Mason. Approved by all ayes.

Information was given pertaining to minister's housing allowances which does not need church approval.

COMMITTEE/TEAM REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Finance Committee Chairman, Johnny Jernigan presided over distribution of paper ballots for the vote to adopt the Church Budget for the year 2024.

B. Mission's Coordinator, Ricky Lake, recommended the MGBC goal of \$10,000 for the 2023 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Approved by all ayes.

C. Jeanne Lucas, Nominating Committee Chairman, recommended that Rev. David Shofner be the teacher for the newly established adult Sunday School class. Approved by all ayes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A. Kathy Lewallyn and Frances Walding gave testimony and praise concerning Operation Christmas Child. Members of MGBC prepared and sent 200 boxes this year.

B. Johnny Jernigan announced the results of the vote on the 2024 budget as follows:
53 yes - 4 no; 2024 Church Budget was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn was made by David Mason; second by Alicia McFarlane. Approved by all ayes.

Johnette Sims, Church Clerk

Josh Morea, Moderator