

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Richmond, Kentucky

MINUTES OF THE CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING
September 18, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Mike York, Moderator, at 1:10 p.m., 52 members attending.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of the July 17 business meeting were approved as presented.

ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT by Kris Arnold

Mr. Arnold called attention to the following items on pages 5-26:

Page 7 – Improved Cash Flow Balance

Page 6 – YTD Comparison Year to Year for July

Page 17 – YTD Comparison Year to Year for August

Page 18 – Cash Flow Balance which is improving—very encouraging

A sub group will be looking into the LifeWay recommendations for short term and long term.

A copy of the complete Finance Report is attached at the end of these official minutes.

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS by Joe Elliott

Mr. Elliott presented the recommendations from the Constitution & Bylaws Committee for revisions/additions/deletions in the First Baptist Church Constitution & Bylaws.

Question: 7.5.5 Is this for up or down issues only?

Answer: That is correct.

Question: 7.5.6 Should this be changed to up or down issues only rather than special called on Sunday morning?

Answer: We are restricted to Sunday morning because these issues require 10% of the resident membership present and voting. In the case of calling ordained staff, 25% of resident membership present and voting is required.

Motion to change Pastor to Senior Pastor in 7.5.5.5 in order to align with church staff terms.

Mr. Elliott pointed out that several places in the Constitution & Bylaws used the term pastor. Senior is not used. He suggested that this be referred to the Constitution & Bylaws Committee for consideration next year.

Withdrawn to maintain consistency in the current Constitution & Bylaws.

Motion that the amendments as proposed be brought to the church at a future Sunday morning worship service for a vote."

A copy of the complete recommendations is attached at the end of these official minutes.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE by Erv Yoder

The Missions Committee report was distributed with the agenda. Highlights:

Saturday, September 17, First Baptist Church had their Single Moms Oil Change and serviced 139 vehicles. Our previous record was 111. Many members worked inside and outside the church witnessing, providing lunch, child care, and clothing.

We are still seeking a permanent pastor for the Spanish ministry.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE by Marsha Elliott for Brandon Powell

Motion that the following updates be approved:

Minister of Music Search Committee, John Hurt replaced as chair by co chairs Jim Austin and Tom Collins

Singles Director - Cynthia Miller

Discipleship Director – Carla Hunt

Clint Walker has moved; remove from History & Socials Committees

Bowe & Kimberly Hoy have moved. Remove from Marriage & Family Council and Preschool Council.

Bruce Withers has resigned from the Public Relations Committee

Motion passed.

MUSIC SEARCH COMMITTEE by James Austin

Report of the Music Search Committee was distributed with the agenda. Highlights include:

John Hurt's work assignment has changed; therefore, he is unable to continue as Chair. Jim Austin and Tom Collins will assume co-chair responsibilities.

An initial interaction between the committee and the church body is the Forum that has been announced to take place on September 25, 2011, following a short devotion at 6 p.m.

HISTORY COMMITTEE by Tom Bratcher

The History Committee is planning a Founders' Day Celebration on May 20, 2012.

CHURCH COUNCIL by Tom Bratcher

FBC Church Council moves that the following Sunday Schedule be observe on January 1, 2012:

One combined morning worship service at 11:00 a.m. with no Sunday School and no evening service/activities.

Written reports from the following were distributed with the agenda.

Life Development Reports

Sunday School Attendance Information

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS

Bill Fort, Senior Pastor presented the Annual Church Profile which is sent to the Tates Creek Association and the information forwarded to the Kentucky Baptist State Convention. A copy of the profile is attached at the end of these official minutes.

Request for Church Letter:

Brian & Connie Brown from Severns Valley Baptist Church, Elizabethtown, KY
Mary Ann Whitaker from Kirksville Baptist Church, Richmond, KY
Elizabeth Noe from Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, Paint Lick, KY
Stephanie Ohler from Union City Baptist Church, Richmond, KY

Letters granted.

Other Correspondence

None

Announcement

The Association Director of Missions is retiring and a candidate, Ron Daves is being interviewed for the position Tuesday, September 20, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Nancy Garriott, Church Clerk

Explanation of Phrases

Detailed report is attached at the end of the official minutes.

A verbal or written report was presented at the business meeting. A summary is contained in the minutes. The complete/detailed report is on file with the clerk's minutes. Available in the Church Office during normal business hours.

Filed with the Clerk. Attached at the end of these minutes.

Report was not presented at the Business Meeting. A copy of the entire report is attached at the end of the minutes distributed to attendees.