



Monthly Business Meeting – Highlights and Summary of Minutes

(Detailed minutes, recorded by the clerk, are located in the Secretary's Office)

The Regular Monthly Business Meeting was held on **October 7, 2020**. "Social Distancing" guidelines continued to be followed for the COVID-19 pandemic. Each person present was wearing a mask. Bro. Billy Compton served as moderator. (1) Charlotte Benningfield read the minutes of the September meeting. They were approved without comment. (2) Andrea Morrison gave the Treasury Report. She included a separate breakdown of receipts and expenditures of the general fund and the designated funds. It was pointed out that \$3,687 was taken out of the general fund to pay for the concrete work done as discussed at the last meeting. Also, there was \$630 paid out of Dues and Subscriptions that is beyond what is normal because of registering our "On Call" service. In relation to that, she reminded everyone that many members are not providing updated contact information as previously requested. This is needed two-fold: to note if you want to receive donation envelopes in the coming year and to make sure we have the contact information needed to be used for the "On Call" service and for Servant Keeper. (3) Catherine Sabo, representing the WMU, reported that we well exceeded the goal of \$1200 for the Eliza Broadus offering. The donations received have totaled \$1,975, which is \$725 more than our goal. She also reported that November 1st is "International Day of Prayer". She asked that we commit to praying for our missionaries, persecuted Christians and our country at 3:00 p.m. that day. (4) A "Trunk or Treat Drive-Through" activity is being planned for October 28th. Candy and treats are being collected from church members along with donated money to help purchase treats. Kim Skaggs and Jessica Veatch, with the assistance of other volunteers, are preparing the bags that will be handed out safely to cars as they drive through in an organized way with the help of the Safety Team.

In New Business: (1) Josh Veatch representing the Constitution and By-laws Committee, made a motion to remove the four motions that were tabled at the last business meeting and prepare for the vote by paper ballot. The motion was seconded. Josh said, after hearing the discussion last month regarding the Finance Committee motion, he would like to make a motion to strike the word "active" from the description so that any deacon can be included in the membership instead of active deacons. The motion was seconded, voted on and approved. This request was done to satisfy two deacon's comments at the September meeting and another deacon's comment since that meeting. However, making this

amendment to the motion precipitated an accumulation of other motions brought up by Mckenzie Hardin requesting to change the wording for the “three other members of the church” to include “three other lay-members of the church”. She then requested that it be stipulated that there would be no family members on the committee that be related to the Finance Secretary. Much discussion was made among the members present including the information that nepotism is being addressed by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee in the near future to address the issue for all committees which would include the Finance Committee. Mckenzie was adamant that it be included in the Finance Committee description and presented both requests as a motion. Kaylene Poff made note that the motion from last month was in writing as stipulated in the constitution prior to being voted on this month and now it was being significantly changed so maybe should remove it from the ballot entirely until the requested changes are addressed and re-presented. It was argued by other members present that Josh Veatch made a motion to remove the one word so the other motions should be accepted as well. Charlotte Benningfield read the change in the wording and it was voted on and approved. All members present were asked to stand and the ballots were passed out. Charlotte, Linda Sabo (assistant clerk) and Jennifer Bland removed themselves to another location to count the votes related to all four amendments. Upon their return, the votes were reported as follows (the complete ballot is shown below):

Amendment #1 – Yes (28); No (2); motion passed

Amendment #2 – Yes (26); No (5); motion passed

Amendment #3 – Yes (28); No (3); motion passed

Amendment #4 – Yes (11); No (20); motion rejected

(2) Catherine Sabo, representing the WMU, made a motion that the church set a goal of \$3,500 for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. The motion was seconded and approved. With no additional business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.



As noted in our current Constitution and By-laws document:

“Changes in this constitution and bylaws may be made at any regular business meeting of the church, provided such amendments shall have been presented in writing at a previous meeting, and copies of the proposed amendment be furnished to each member present. Amendments to the constitution shall be by two-thirds vote of all members of the church present entitled to vote; amendments to the bylaws shall have a concurrence of a majority of the members present and voting.”

Your vote is important!

Please complete the **four (4) separate ballots** with your personal decision (vote) regarding proposed changes to the by-laws section of the constitution:

1. Amend the Constitution and By-laws document to replace the church secretary-treasurer position with the “clerical secretary” and “financial secretary” positions, including a brief description of their duties as determined by the personnel committee.

Yes, please make this change to the document: _____

No, do not make this change to the document: _____

2. Amend the Constitution and By-laws document with the clarified description of section 5 Expenditure greater than \$10,000.00 of the described Church Finances.

Yes, please make this change to the document: _____

No, do not make this change to the document: _____

3. Amend the Constitution and By-laws document pertaining to the perpetual care of the church cemeteries to align with the changed Kentucky KRS law that took effect in 2014. The Cemetery Fund shall keep no less than \$20,000 in place for perpetual care with any money in the fund beyond that sum be used to maintain the cemetery.

Yes, please make this change to the document: _____

No, do not make this change to the document: _____

4. Amend the Constitution and By-laws document by creating the “Finance Committee” as described in the section of Church Finances.

Yes, please make this change to the document: _____

No, do not make this change to the document: _____