

**First Baptist Church,
Council of Stewards Meeting
February 14, 2016, 5:30 P M**

❖ **Call to Order**

➤ The meeting was called to order by President, Harold Gragg at 5:33 p.m.

❖ **Council members present:** Lindsay Jackson, Ron Chandler, Bruce Pettibon, Pastor David Crook, Casey Campbell, Harold Gragg, Brandon Fisher, Steve Russ, Will Smith and Donna Wagner

❖ **Opening Prayer**

➤ Harold opened the meeting in prayer

❖ **Devotion**

➤ John 3:16-17 and John 14:2-3

❖ **Approval of January, 2016 Minutes**

➤ Brandon Fisher made a motion to accept the January minutes as presented. Lindsay Jackson seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

❖ **NEW BUSINESS**

- Bruce Pettibon suggested installing a water filtration system to help maintain the life of the new ice machine to be installed. After discussion, it was decided that Bruce will order and install the ice machine, putting the canister filter on it from the old ice machine.
- Bruce also brought bids for the roof repair to the church. The leaks in the steeple area are going into the hallway leading to the new part of the building. He has two bids.
- The cost is approximately \$12,000 with an additional \$1,000. for steeple repair. After discussion, Casey Campbell moved that Jerry Phifer be given the freedom to hire one of the contractors to repair the roof for up to \$13,000.00. with the approval of the building and grounds committee. He should also ask for additional warranty. Bruce Pettibon seconded the motion and it passed.

❖ **OLD BUSINESS**

- Ice Machine Follow Up: see above
- Conceal and Carry Follow Up
 - Security team has met and discussed conceal and carry and other issues.
 - They have suggestions for the council.
 - Pastor would like the security team and some council representatives to meet about the 'conceal and carry' policy. Someone with legal experience should be on the team.
 - The pastor will ask the security team to present at the next council meeting. The church needs a policy for conceal and carry.

❖ **TEAM REPORTS**

- **Personnel:** moved to closed session

- **Finance:** Reviewed the financial reports for January. Noted that giving has been above expenditures this year.
- **Building and Grounds**
 - Revisited moving the prayer room for more security for office personnel.
 - Some ideas for up-dating and upgrading the building were discussed.
 - Signage is an issue to help visitors and the lighting in the foyer could be upgraded.
 - Drainage: there was a \$5,000. Bid to repair the drain on the east side of the building, and this will need to be addressed, but some other measures have been taken.
 - There are some structural issues at the Green Room in the roof area. Bruce will get with Jerry and find out what is needed.
 - The kitchen needs to be brought up to code in order for the pre-school to be able to use it. This might affect licensure for the preschool.
 - The pilot in the stove goes out, allowing gas to leak out. Will Smith suggests a carbon dioxide alarm to warn of a gas leak.
 - A company has come in and made suggestions for upgrading the AVL (Audio, Visual and Lighting) equipment. Some ideas may be coming later.
- ❖ **PASTOR'S TIME**
 - Pastor updated the council on the turnover in custodial staff.
 - Bill Shafer has resigned and Dick Peckman has retired.
 - Jerry Phipper has moved into the supervisory position and has hired someone to do repairs.
- ❖ **Miscellaneous Items From Members**
 - Steve Russ: Ron Goombi – Macey, Nebraska Mission update: they will need manpower, and prayer for needed repairs.
 - Harold Gragg: The newspaper listing that left out the traditional service has been taken care of. The paper now lists both services.
 - Pastor Crook: Will not do the 15 minute sermon spots on radio, but will be using radio advertising to invite people back to FBC.
 - Bruce Pettibon: The office being unmanned during the day and getting the answering machine has been taken care of. Someone is manning the phones during staff meetings, etc.
- ❖ **Closed Session**
 - The meeting was adjourned to closed session.
- ❖ **Next Council Meeting, March 13, 2016**
- ❖ **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned in prayer offered by Steve Russ.