

**First Baptist Church, May 15, 2016, 5:30 PM**

**Council of Stewards Meeting**

- **Call to Order**
  - The meeting was called to order by Harold Gragg at 5:28pm
  - Members present: Casey Campbell, Ron Chandler, Brandon Fisher, Harold Gragg, Lindsay Jackson, Bruce Pettibon, Will Smith, Pastor David Crook
  - Member absent: Donna Wagner
- **Opening Prayer**
  - Harold Gragg opened the meeting in prayer
- **Approval of April Minutes**
  - April meeting minutes were reviewed. Brandon Fisher moved to approve the minutes, Will Smith seconded, and minutes were approved
- **New Business**
  - No new business
- **Old Business**
  - No old business
- **Team Reports**
  - **Personnel**
    - Nothing to report
  - **Finance**
    - Budget was reviewed
    - There is about \$65,000 left on the building debt
    - Revenues are ahead for the year
  - **Buildings and grounds**
    - The roofers are making progress on repairs. The owner of the roofing company will be coming out with his best crew to finish the job
    - Will Smith reported that Jerry Pfiesser is doing a great job in transitioning to the maintenance supervisor position.
      - There is concern that Jerry does not have a computer in his office and has been using his personal computer for church business. Pastor Crook will look into where the maintenance supervisor computer went and will investigate if a new computer will be needed. This computer could also be used by the finance team.
    - Bruce Pettibon reported that the air conditioner in the family life center is functioning at 80% which okay for now. He recommended allocating money for new compressors in the 2017 budget.
    - New tiles have been installed in the Green Room and look great.
- **Pastor Report**
  - Pastor would like to send messengers to the National Southern Baptist Convention June 14-15 in St. Louis. Ron Chandler moved to send Pastor Crook, Lisa Crook, and Bryan

Townsend as messengers to the convention. Brandon Fisher seconded and the motion was approved.

- Pastor asked if FBC participated in a matching scholarship through Southwest Baptist University. It is not something that we currently do but it will be considered for the 2017 budget.
  - Ron Chandler explained the scholarship that the church provides to SBU from the L.F. Richardson foundation.
- Pastor shared, for information purposes only, literature regarding the sound system, volume, and proposals for system upgrades in the worship center.
- A search team needs to be established to find a worship pastor. Pastor Crook provided a description of the team with the desired characteristics of a search committee member and the role of the team in this process. Pastor made a motion to establish a search team for a worship pastor using the described characteristics and duties and to begin the process of finding a worship pastor. Ron Chandler seconded and the motion was approved.
- Pastor Crook asked for the process of finding new council members to be moved to the summer. The member would still take office January 1<sup>st</sup> but the months between being elected and taking office would be spent observing council meetings, meeting with Pastor Crook to train for the position, and go through an orientation process. The council agreed that this would be beneficial to everyone involved.

- **The meeting adjourned to close session at 6:25**

**Next meeting: June 12, 2016 at 5:30 PM**