

Big Canoe Chapel Board of Trustees Minutes

August 21, 2017

Trustees Present:

Larry Applewhite
Ray Bedingfield
Dan Bellenger
Judy Bellenger
Jeff Downing
Roger Estill
Dick Girdler

Jean James
Glenda Mitchell
Chuck Palmer
Jim Pollner
Dennis Shearer
David Thompson
Laura Walker
Wyatt Wood

Others Present:

Rev. Len Walker
Rev. Lamar Helms
Jeff Turner, CPA, Treasurer

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Danny Bellenger. The devotional was offered by Judy Bellenger on "Daniel's Prayer".

Rev. Walker said the opening prayer. His Chaplain's remarks included an outline of the Stewardship Campaign, the focus of which is 'God Provides'. The biblical support is from Philippians 4:19; And my God will meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Jesus Christ.

The Bella Voce choir has asked to re-organize. Rev. Helms has been asked to write a job description for a director of Bella Voce; this will be brought to the Personnel Committee along with potential candidate(s) names & resume(s).

A motion to accept the minutes of the BOT July 31, 2017 was made by Chuck Palmer, seconded by Jeff Downing and passed unanimously.

The Financial Report was presented by Jeff Turner. He reports that the Chapel's financial picture is good with contributions ~\$15,000 above the YTD budget. The finance committee will begin the budget process for 2018 in September with committee work sessions. It is expected that the budget will be presented at the December BOT meeting for approval.

Rev. Helms reported on the 2018 Mission Conference. He asked that we support the conference with prayer. The theme is "Touching Lives" and Amazing Grace My Chains are Gone is the theme song. Claudia Campbell and the children will be asked to provide some art work for the event.

The four recipient organizations are:

1. Dunamis Foundation
2. Venezuela Now
3. Abba House
4. Good Shepherd Wellness Clinic

Dates: February 15th through 18th. An Asian dinner will be served on Thursday evening. The Ladies of Lee will sing on Friday evening with desserts served following the program. The paint fest will be on Saturday morning and the concluding program for Sunday morning is in the planning stages. The financial goal is \$80,000.

Danny reported on the love offering collected for The House of Grace after their recent visit was \$11,000+.

Glenda Mitchell reported on Sunday morning schedule recommendations. Glenda met with representatives of the adult Sunday school classes. Based on their input she made a motion to make no changes to the current schedule. David Thompson seconded the motion and it passed by a majority vote. She went on to list the concerns of the group including the impression that the current schedule was made without their input and that future changes might start with those groups effected and include a more creative look at space and time slots. (ie. Not all classes need to be at the Chapel nor must they all be on Sunday morning).

New Business:

Chapel Wedding Fees Policy. Danny reported that Lamar Helms and Leigh Young brought to his attention that apparently some persons have joined the Chapel for the purpose of having a wedding at the member's discounted cost which is \$550 vs. \$1350 for non-members. A motion was made by Danny and seconded by Chuck that one needs be a member for one year prior to making a Chapel wedding reservation and that exceptions may be made only at the discretion of the Senior Chaplain. Motion passed unanimously.

A question was raised regarding the fee for use of the Broyles Center for member wedding receptions. The question will be brought to the Personnel Committee for their recommendation as it involves payment to personnel.

Win Cates and Charlie Vick are co-ordinating the Wednesday evening dinners to be held once monthly after Bible Study and before Vespers. Trustee volunteers are needed to serve the catered dinner and collect money at the door on three dates, as follows: Sept. 13th, Oct. 18th and Nov. 15th.

A sign-up sheet was passed. September is covered. Win will be notified. The list will be passed again at the next BOT meeting in Sept. in order to fill the remaining slots for Oct. & Nov.

Rev. Walker and Rev. Helms briefly outlined the classes that they will be leading, beginning on Sept. 13th. Danny described Rev. Lucenay's class which will begin on Sept. 20th. Details of these classes are in the bulletin and on the Chapel web site. Advance registration is necessary.


Rev. Walker closed with prayer.

A motion to adjourn to executive session was made by Jean James, seconded by Glenda and passed unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting is September 18th at 2PM in the Board Room.

Ray Bedingfield will lead the devotional

Respectfully submitted by:



Jean James, secretary