

Midway Baptist Church
Business Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2014 6 p.m.

Moderator Don Dobson called the meeting to order and opened with prayer. The minutes from the previous meeting minutes were adopted as presented. Church Clerk Letha Drury noted that the meeting minutes for 2014 have been posted on the church website under the “Resources” tab. An effort will be made to include the attachments of Treasurer’s report as well as Associate Minister’s report and other written attachments.

Kendra Harvey presented the Treasurer’s report (see attached). There was an extra \$551 applied to the building loan principal through designated gifts and Kroger gift card payment. The checkbook balance has fallen lower than our desired ceiling, but most May bills are complete with two weeks left of giving to catch up. The Treasurer’s report was adopted as distributed. Kendra also reported for the Finance Committee that the previous month’s total utilities for 118 Turner Street were \$264. There was some concern that the high gas bill may indicate a leak and Joy Hadden said that she would get it checked. Our insurance carrier, Brotherhood Mutual, has not yet gotten an amount for coverage on the new house, as there was a mistake in the square footage and occupancy.

Letha Drury reported that the ordination council for Evan Rowe was held in conjunction with the May Deacon’s meeting. The council made a motion to approve Evan for ordination in the gospel ministry and the service was held on Sunday, May 18, 2014.

Joy Hadden reported for the Trustees that they had received two bids for completing the electrical work at 118 Turner Street house (including new wiring and compliant wall plugs and GFI plug in kitchen). There had been discussion on the need for a larger service panel, however the electrician suggested that the 100-amp service that was installed in 2000 was very adequate for the electrical load of the house, which was running at about 20% of maximum capacity. Art’s Electric gave a bid of \$3,788 and Matt Kragel’s bid was \$2,600. Joy Hadden made a MOTION to accept the bid of \$2,600 from Matt Kragel for the electrical service upgrade using the privately donated funds. The motion was seconded by Betty McLean and approved. Joy also reported that the mulch had been placed on the landscape beds at the front and rear entrances of the church and thanks to the donor of mulch and volunteers who assisted.

It was also noted when the air conditioning unit in the Ministry Center was checked last week that our maintenance contract with Semones had expired. Iraline Craig made a MOTION that Semones be contacted to renew the service contract for all units in the church and three properties. Sam Conder seconded the motion and it was approved.

Iraline Craig reported that the WMU had six present at their May meeting held at 118 Turner Street. The WMU will give \$300 to the Haiti Mission Team for their feast to be held on their last night, enough to feed 150 people. Their next meeting will be a dining out evening at Ricardo’s in Versailles at 6 p.m. Beginning on September 3rd the WMU will also have an evening meeting on the first Wednesday evening of the month at 6:45

p.m. following the fellowship meal. They may also expand to other weekly Wednesday evenings to complete service projects.

Andrea Ball reported that the children completed a bandanna project filled with candy and small gifts for the Haiti Mission Team to take to give to the children there. Darin Hensley donated the bandannas to be filled with items to pack and members of the team came and talked with the children about the children there and their activities. VBS will begin on June 8th and Children's Sunday on June 1st.

Evan Rowe reported that Youth Sunday had been today, May 18th and their next event would be MFuge camp on June 30- July 5th. Evan also reported that Jeanne Evans had organized some mixed quartet groups to provide special music and that choir practice would resume in September for the Christmas musical.

Associate Pastor Cody Davidson reported that Summer Supper Club signup was being held and set to start on June 1st. A volunteer is needed to grill hot dogs and hamburgers for the corn hole tournament on June 25th. His report is attached.

Pastor Steve Hadden made a motion to accept Kelly and Evan Rowe for membership in MBC by statement from St. Andrews Methodist Church, Lexington and 1st United Methodist, Hopkinsville, respectively. The motion was seconded by Adele Conder and approved. The Moderator asked the Clerk to send a courtesy letter informing their respective churches to remove them from their roll.

Adele Conder reported for the Nominating Committee. The following Trustees were returning: Sam Conder, Larry Craig, Nathan Craig, Paul Simmons, Joy Hadden. Barry Robinette was nominated as a new Trustee. Clark Bugg was nominated to serve on the Personnel Committee, joining returning at-large member Art Craig and deacon members Allen Dobson and Letha Drury. Kendra Harvey will return as Treasurer for another term and be joined on the Finance Committee by Lisa Dartt and new members Kaye Hall, Natalie Wyatt and Kim Hensley. There were no further nominations from the floor so the slate of nominees was approved by acclamation.

There is a tabled motion regarding moving the church offices and food pantry to 118 Turner Street. Don Dobson had made a survey on Sunday morning of the sound level in the current offices and found that the Pastor's office with the door closed had no sound disturbance from the warm up time for the praise band. Mary's office had some noise from the area of the door leading into the Sanctuary that Don felt could be reduced with some sound proofing cover. This would indicate that these rooms could be effectively used during the Sunday school hour for classes. It was agreed that some further study on the cost of utilities was in order so no action was taken.

Don Dobson distributed the Investment Management report, with no new activity (see attached).

Ira McLean made a MOTION to have the attic inspected for any sign of bat habitation, as the season has come for them to return. The motion was seconded by Iraline Craig and approved. Sam Conder agreed to check and report back. Don Dobson agreed to help Sam.

With no other business to consider the meeting was adjourned.

There were 13 in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Letha Drury
Church Clerk