

Midway Baptist Church Business Meeting Minutes
December 20, 2015 6 p.m.

Assistant Moderator Art Craig called the meeting to order with prayer by Steve Hadden. The minutes from the previous meeting were adopted as presented. The Treasurers' Report was approved as distributed (see attached). We are \$6802.00 ahead in giving for the year. There was \$15,722 given in the Christmas for Christ offering, with \$3,125 designated. The Kroger community awards for second quarter was received in the amount of \$455 to be paid on building loan principal.

Iraline Craig reported for the WMU (attached). There was no report for Sunday School or Children's Minister.

Art Craig reported for the Trustees that Barry Robinette had cleaned the gutters along the backside of church and that Nathan Craig was addressing a lack of heat in the nursery.

Evan Rowe presented a report for Associate Minister, Youth and Music (see attached). He also reported that the Youth had nine attend the December lock-in. A group of 18 went caroling around Midway on December 13th enjoying the beautiful weather and was well received.

The Pastor reported that 29 families would be receiving food boxes as part of the Share the Joy outreach, the largest ever prepared. He also noted that Celebration Sunday would be held on Sunday, February 7, 2016.

Darin Hensley reported that the Deacons had discussed a method of tracking in-kind (non monetary) donations to the church but no consensus was reached.

The Finance Committee made a motion to approve the Budget/Ministry Plan for 2016 with a few revisions from last month (attached). There was an addition of \$300 to be donated to the Kentucky Baptist Disaster Relief shower trailer, managed by Don Dobson. The motion carried.

Don Dobson presented the Investment Management Committee Report (attached).

There was discussion regarding approval for the projection system proposal from last months meeting using money from cash reserves. It was suggested that we wait until the year-end to have a better idea on the total giving as it related to the budget before approval. There was further discussion regarding the appropriate uses of the Christmas for Christ offering, however there was not a consensus. This is the first time in recent memory that the offering was not needed to make up for a shortfall in giving to meet budget. The blessing of this abundance was noted as well as the responsibility for proper usage of the money. It was suggested that the Finance Team provide a list of mission activities that could be supported by this offering.

Haley Wyatt gave a review of the requirements needed to co-sponsor a family in 2016 in conjunction with the Kentucky Refugee Ministry. The KYRM estimates a need for \$3000-\$4000 to cover rent and food for a family during their first three months. This is in addition to donations to outfit the family's living space and time commitment of volunteers. There is a team, led by Haley Wyatt that is committed to this project. Haley Wyatt made a motion that Midway Baptist Church co-sponsor a refugee family in 2016 with Kentucky Refugee Ministries. Iraline Craig seconded the motion. The motion was amended by Iraline Craig to include up to \$3,000 in the church budget line item for start up ministries to support this effort. The amended motion was seconded by Steve Hadden and was approved.

There were 16 members in attendance. With no further business to consider the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Letha Drury,
Church Clerk