

**Midway Baptist Church
Business Meeting Minutes March 16, 2014 6 p.m.**

Moderator Don Dobson called the meeting to order and led the invocation. The minutes were adopted as presented. There was no correspondence.

Kendra Harvey presented the Treasurer's report (attached) and called attention to a line item that represented a payment from United Bank of \$145,054 to close our previous loan. We then paid back out \$146,774 to close on the McDaniel House, with a difference of \$1,720 in closing costs. We had anticipated these costs would be rolled into the loan. There was a MOTION by Letha Drury to suspend our extra monthly principal payment until this amount is recovered, approximately four months. The motion was seconded by Iraline Craig and approved. There was an extra \$775 paid to principal this month from giving and payment from the Kroger cards. We need to follow up with Brotherhood Mutual on the amount of insurance for the McDaniel house. The house is covered, however, we have not received the premium and they had listed the value as \$118,000 rather than \$140,000. The harsh winter has resulted in much higher gas utility bills, using almost the whole years budget. The bills should return to normal soon and we may want to consider budget payments in the future.

Kendra also reported that the Finance Committee would be sending quarterly reports to all who are responsible for line items in the budget. We are about \$6,600 behind in budget right now and our large insurance bill (approx. \$9,000) will come at the end of April. This will significantly cut into our unrestricted funds in the checking account that we like to keep at around \$26,000.

Letha Drury reported that the Deacons are planning a service of ordination for Kaye Hall on Sunday, March 30th during the 10:45 a.m. service. She reported that plans are progressing for the Ministry Fair on Palm Sunday, April 13, 2014 in cooperation with the visioning committee. She commended the Haiti Mission Team for the gospel concert fundraiser event, which raised \$2,100 through donations, tee shirt and coffee sales. This is enough to sponsor expenses for one team member. There is a yard sale scheduled for April 11th and 12th and a car wash later in the spring. Plans are underway to form a Prayer Team to support the mission group while on their trip. Letha congratulated Evan Rowe on his one-year anniversary and put the date of May 12, 2014 as his ordination council meeting and his ordination into the ministry will be on May 18th as part of Youth Sunday activities.

Sam Conder reported that the Trustees are planning an inside workday on April 12, 2014. Joy Hadden and Betty McLean have been working on the McDaniel House and are planning a women's luncheon for the first event later this month. He reported that the car is removed from the property and now the McDaniels just need to move the barn. The short-term repair to the church office Lexmark printer was short term. We will try to make the printer last long enough to use up most of the purchased toner and get through to the next budget cycle.

The Children's Ministry hosted a Baptist Beliefs Bash on March 16th along with a parent's day out. There were 20 children and three youth who participated in the directed activity on soul freedom and believer's baptism. They are planning a future event for older children as well.

Evan Rowe reported that the Youth are planning a lock in, sponsored by Kohl's at the end of April. He continues to have 12-15 in attendance on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. The Sunday School class is entering into their second unit of curriculum and he is seeking new curriculum for the middle school class as well. Evan also reported that the choir is rehearsing for Easter music on Palm Sunday. He is recruiting vocalists and guitar players for the praise band.

Cody Davidson reported that the average Sunday School attendance in March was 105, with 117 in attendance today. His new couples class has four committed couples and is growing. The Men's group will be meeting on Thursday, March 20th at the Grey Goose for a fellowship. We are hosting a spiritual retreat, led by Johnny Sears on April 4 & 5th at a cost of \$75 for room and meals. The first service Children's Church has been ongoing for the past month, with three families bringing children and taking part, averaging about four children per Sunday. The Spiritual Gifts study will be ending as we lead into Palm Sunday.

Iraline Craig reported for the WMU. They are upcoming activities to Feed the Hungry at Grace Baptist Church (March 31st) and a trip to Booneville (April 8th) to deliver clothing, Easter baskets and diapers. The Elkhorn Baptist Association held their annual WMU Breakfast at MBC on Saturday, with 80 in attendance. Mike Rankin prepared breakfast for the event and a missionary to the Philippines was the guest speaker. Iraline has been nominated as the Moderator Elect of the Kentucky Baptist Fellowship and will be elected at the Spring Gathering on April 24 & 25, 2014 at Broadway Baptist Church in Louisville. This is a three year commitment, including planning the spring gathering in the first year. The Second year, as Moderator, she will coordinate the business meetings. In the third year, the nominating committee will be her responsibility. We are delighted that Iraline has been selected to serve in this role.

Don Dobson distributed a report for the Investment Management Committee (see attached). He also presented Adele Conder as a member of the Nominating Committee, joining Donna Forman and Mike Taylor. There were no other nominations from the floor and she was accepted by acclamation.

The Nominating Committee presented Kenny Tackett as the Sunday School Director. There were no other nominations from the floor and he was accepted by acclamation.

With no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned. There were 13 members in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Letha Drury,
Church Clerk