

Church Council Meeting – Today’s Attendance – Teams and Ministries Date: 8-4-25					
Check names, if member is present.					
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Susan Cotton , Children’s Sunday School Director		Pam Froelich , Nursery Chair pf2622@hotmail.com		Easter Perkins , Communion	
Starr Jones		Ronnie Hobbs , Properties Co-Chair rrockinron@cs.com		Dixie Mericle	

Opening Time & Prayer- 6:10

Secretary’s report: no report

Treasurer’s report: no report

Pastor Reports: Pastor Ben asked Pete Boykin to speak to the council about the need for a full-time Church Administrator. Pete shared SBC research showing that our church is now considered “medium-sized” and continuing to grow, making this role essential for coordination.

Since Pastor Ben is limited to 17 hours a week and Craig has stepped down from volunteering in this position (though he will assist with transition), the council discussed next steps. Pete’s research with local churches showed a starting salary range of \$50–70K, depending on experience and education. The finance team will meet soon to determine what salary our church can afford, and Kelly will coordinate this before the upcoming business meeting.

An interview committee was also formed: Ben D’Amico, Travis Coleman, James Neuenfeldt, Pete Boykin, and Kelly Brown, with Dale Barnes and Ross Warrell as alternates.

A special business meeting will be held on August 24th, immediately after the service to present this to the church.

Church Ministry

1. Team Reports:

- a) **Bus Team**- no report
- b) **Communion Team**- no report
- c) **Decorating & Hospitality Team** – no report
- d) **Media Team**- no report
- e) **Multi-Purpose Building Team** – no report

- f) **Nomination Team**- Robin asked about campus security. Dale reported that 15 men have volunteered for the team, with Travis serving as chair and coordinator.
- g) **Nursery**- Priscilla raised the need to clarify age guidelines for Nursery and PreK. She suggested that Sunday School PreK follow the same standard as public schools—only potty-trained children may move to the PreK room, regardless of age. Some confusion may come from Awana, which includes both a 2-year-old class and a PreK class on Wednesdays. The council agreed this distinction should be made clear to staff and parents, and Priscilla will address it with the nursery team leader.
- h) **Outreach & Missions Team**- Allie reported that tickets for the She Will Conference are now on sale. The conference will be held on September 13th. This year's Fall Festival is scheduled for November 8th. In addition, Kim Greene has arranged a Women's Paint Party on October 3rd. The cost is \$20, which includes all materials.
- i) **Properties Team**- Terry informed the council that the new air conditioner will be completely installed by tomorrow.
- j) **Sunday School/Children's Church**- There are concerns about the current process for dismissing children from Sunday school. It was suggested that we implement a formal check-in and check-out system. Allie proposed using an electronic method, possibly through our existing database. Priscilla will investigate whether ChurchTrac offers this feature. Cathy also shared that Susan Cotton has secured the children's church curriculum for next year.
- k) **Stewardship Team**- no report
- l) **Ushers & Greeters Team**- no report

2. Staff Reports:

- a) **Deacons**- no report
- b) **Coordinator**- no report
- c) **Music Director**- Joe and the band are working with the Youth to coordinate the Youth Takeover on August 24th. He also announced that practice for the Christmas cantata will begin in September. The date for the cantata has been set for December 14th.
- d) **Secretary/Clerk**-
- e) **Youth Director**- The Youth are currently preparing for the Youth Take Over. The new trailer was purchase and is currently housed at the Warrell house.

3. Closing Prayer & Adjourned 8:30pm