The Executive Board of Sans Bois Baptist Association met on September 12, 2017 at the association center, at 7 PM. There were 10 pastors, 7 church representatives, 10 guests present representing 13 churches.

Rusty McCormick led the group singing "I'd Rather Have Jesus" and "Holy Ground". Rusty led in prayer. Daniel Milligan led a devotional from Jude verses 3 and 4. Randy Waldrop led in prayer. Bud Vinson, Moderator, called the meeting to order. Willard Francis made the motion to approve the Minutes of the August Meeting, seconded by Howard Head and approved. The motion to approve the August Treasurer's Report was made by Daniel Milligan, seconded by Clinnon Cole and approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Willard Francis, Sunday School Strategist, discussed the upcoming Sunday School trainings September 25 at Antioch and September 26 at Wilburton First Baptist Church with breakout sessions each night.

Bill Self, Credentials Committee, made a recommendation to bring Porum First Baptist Church into the Sans Bois Baptist Association. There were lots of questions and discussion. Tim Perkins made a motion to table the recommendation until the next month but there was no second and the motion died. Howard Head made a motion to indefinitely postpone the recommendation from the Credentials Committee until a special called executive board meeting could take place where all the committee members and the Director of Missions could be present and more questions be answered. Willard Francis seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Jeff Bengs, Discipleship Strategist, talked about looking for another member for the discipleship team. Jeff also talked about an apologetics resource book and that it is available to look at in the library at the association or if you want your own copy it is \$5.00.

CB Coplen, Budget & Finance, made a recommendation from the committee to approve the Budget for 2017-2018. The motion was approved.

Bud Vinson, Moderator, presented the Nominating Committee Recommendations. Howard Head made a motion to accept the recommendations. Bill Self seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Paul Brady, Disaster Relief, discussed the disaster relief trip that will be October 1 – October 7 to Spring, TX.

Sonya Jackson, Clerk, announced ACP's due Sept 15, committee reports were due 2 weeks before. Sonya reminded everyone to turn in church member deaths and messengers.

CHURCH AND ORGANIZATION REPORTS

Bud Vinson, Moderator, announced that October 22 is the Sans Bois Baptist Association 58th Annual Meeting and gave details.

Daniel Milligan, Church Revitalization Strategist, announced that the start of the Sunday evening services for Tamaha Baptist Church will be September 17.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

CB Coplen, Treasurer, made a motion to remove the asterisk line on the budget saying *per cost association expense (amount may vary, higher or lower). Howard Head seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT

DOM Report – August 2017; Sermons/Messages/Devotions-2; Prayer Meetings/Revival-4; Conferences/Conventions/Seminars-1; Consultations/Visits/contacts (emails, texts, etc)-79; Committee Meetings-4;

<u>Churches Visited</u>: Tamaha, FBC Stigler, Trinity Stigler, Village at Southlake, Thessalonian Church, Rocky Ridge, Calvary Wilburton

<u>Activities</u>: Spent Wednesday nights at Tamaha this month. Averaged about 8. Looking to the Sept. 17th starting date on Sunday evening at 6 pm. FBC Stigler will be the sponsoring church and will help with that first service as well as providing a meal that night. They are going to canvas the community to promote the start.

Worked on with our SS strategist and team for the SS training in Sept. We will be at Antioch in Stigler on the 25th and at FBC Wilburton on the 26th. Both nights starting at 7:00 pm. Invite all your SS teachers and prospective teachers to come to this training. We will be hitting the top 4 areas you as a group have chosen as things you need for your church.

Helped Bro. Willard at Calvary with food distribution and filled in for him in the pulpit.

Ministry Miles: 1253 miles

Bud Vinson, Moderator, announced that Executive Director/Treasurer Dr. Anthony Jordan announced his retirement for April 15. Prayer requests were taken. James Easley closed in prayer.

Sonva/Jackson, Clerk