

Cape Girardeau Baptist Association

Executive Board Meeting—December 9, 2019

Board Members Present:

Randy Conn	Irvin Brooks	Tom Strickland	Mark Anderson
Jim Gloth	Jerry Duvall	Marvin Wormington	Mike Parry
Kevin Clifton	Kathy Blevins	Brandon Moore	Ben Chapman
Lewis Scott	Jeremy Sells	Andrew Green	Shawn Wasson
Clif Crosnoe	JoAnn Tatum	Billy Garner	Troy Richards
Rick Sparks	John Vernon	Roger Graham	Margaret Tallent
Steve Francis			

Representing the following 15 churches: FBC Delta, Lynwood, Sedgewickville, Bethlehem, FBC Jackson, Trinity, FBC Scott City, FBC Oak Ridge, Burfordville, FBC Marble Hill, Church of the Rescued and Redeemed, Bethany, Fruitland Community, God's Country Cowboy, FBC Perryville

Visitors: Kim Richards, Karen Clifton, Reese Hammond, Randy Miller (Mercy Hill), David Cloughson (Brushy Bible)

1. Moderator, Lewis Scott called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and led in prayer.
2. The following Ministry Reports were given:

Peaceful Valley Camp: John Vernon reported that Craig Petzoldt had been hired November 1, 2019 to serve at the Camp Caretaker.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry: Reese Hammond gave an update to the activities at SEMO BCM.

Church Planting Center: In the absence of Kevin Coffee, John Vernon shared that the CPC is seeking a new church planting catalyst for African-American/Hispanic work. Mike Parry shared that the Filipino Ministry has 11 people in their Poplar Bluff group and 2 people in their Fruitland group to be baptized later this month.

Renovate SEMO Report: Brandon Moore shared about the opportunity for churches to assist with revitalizing area churches. He stated that there were 900 churches in Missouri closing or closed. Brandon is accepting a new position with Missouri Baptist Convention and will be leaving his pastorate at Oak Ridge after his last Sunday, December 22.

3. Mission Development Team Report: Jeremy Sells, Team Leader

WMU Report: Kathy Blevins, Assoc. WMU Director encouraged the churches present to actively publicize and give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. She shared how important it is to have mission education in our churches and that she is available to help any church to organize groups from age 4 through adults. A Women's Retreat will be held April 25 at Peaceful Valley Camp.

Disaster Relief: John Vernon shared the need for leaders to step up to work with DR. There are two training periods scheduled each year.

Northeast Italy Partnership Update: Jeremy Sells shared that several churches in both Cape and Charleston Associations are involved with the mission trips going to Italy.

Canada Partnership Update: John Vernon and Mark Anderson shared updates on mission trips to Canada. Several churches are engaged in sending mission teams to Canada.

4. Director of Mission Report: John announced
 - That a Canada Mission Partnership Planning Meeting will be held Friday, January 10, 2020, 6:30pm at association office.
 - 2 GenSEND missionaries served in Edmonton during the summer of 2019
 - 2 GenSEND missionaries, one from New Bethel and one from FBC Perryville, are currently accepted by NAMB to serve in Calgary during the summer of 2020.
 - “C2 Students” Facebook group for Cape and Charleston Baptist Assoc. youth workers has been created to network together and plan joint events.
 - Association-wide youth event, Saturday, January 11, 5pm-8pm, at Church of the Rescued & Redeemed. Contact Bruce Turner for info (573) 576-0755
5. Minutes from October 6, 2019 Annual Meeting: Randy Conn made motion to accept, Brandon Moore, second, motion approved.
6. Treasurer’s Report presented by Roger Graham. Randy Conn made motion to accept, Mark Anderson, second, motion approved.
7. Credentials Committee made the following motions.
 - Motion to receive Brushy Bible Church, St. Mary as a member church
 - Motion to receive Mercy Hill, Jackson as a member churchBoth churches were voted in at the Missouri Baptist Convention in October 2019. Motions were unanimously approved by the Cape Girardeau Baptist Executive Board
 - Announcement was made by the Credentials Committee that Whitewater FBC has been removed from the MBC/SBC as a member church, resulting in their removal from the association.
8. Finance/Personnel Committee Report: Clif Crosnoe brought the following motions from the committee:
 - 2020 Budget – Board approved
 - Housing Allowance for John Vernon (\$18,000) Roger (\$15,000) – Board approved
 - Christmas Gift to John Vernon and Roger Graham (\$500 each) – Board approved
9. Churches Seeking a Pastor: Brush Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Arab; Trinity Baptist Church, St. Mary; Bethlehem Baptist Church, Perryville (Crosstown); First Baptist, Oak Ridge and Mercy Hill, Jackson
10. Other announcements/ Adjourn—Ben Chapman led in closing prayer remembering Randy Miller and Doug Austin who are fighting cancer.

Margaret Tallent
Clerk