

MINUTES OF THE CHURCH CONFERENCE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

September 25, 2024

**Call to Order**

Moderator John Smith called the conference to order at 6:26 p.m.

**Business**

Minutes of the May church conference were approved without dissent.

Changes to the church roll. Gurtha D. Hollon died on August 25. Michael Hawks transferred his membership to Millbrook UMC on September 8. With these changes, church membership is now 1,315.

**Standing Committee Reports**

*Finance Committee:*

Moderator John Smith provided the July 2024 financial numbers for Committee Chair Ryan Willis.

August, 2024 - Total revenue of \$135,731.98 and total expenses of \$136,009.14. Expenses were in excess of revenue by \$277.16.

Year To Date - Total revenue of \$1,040,832.18 and total expenses of \$1,090,041.79. Expenses in excess of revenue by \$49,209.61.

2024 Carryover is \$305,887.98.

*Properties Committee*

Committee Chair Bob Bailey reported on the proposal for the choir loft renovations.

The committee reviewed the proposal from JD Beam that was \$27,173 higher than anticipated and exceeded the \$120,000 originally approved for the project. The proposal identified additional demolition of the balcony floor and subfloor to bring the wiring and HVAC vents up to code that resulted in the higher cost. The committee recommended the Church Conference approve the additional amount of \$27,173 for a total expenditure of \$147,173, which was unanimously endorsed by the Diaconate.

The motion to approve the additional \$27,173 for a total of \$147,173 was unanimously passed.

*Nominating Committee:*

Moderator John Smith provided the following report for Committee Chair Lynn Loomis.

Worship Committee: Myra Brickell, Victor Santana, Elizabeth Santana

Adult Ministries Council: Jane Kelly, Holly Ivel, Elizabeth Riley, Matt Strickland, Cara Lyn Vogel, Ryan Willis

**New Business**

*There was no new business.*

**Announcements**

Dr. Chapman discussed the holiday service for hope. There will be a service this year, November 21. At this time, it remains to be determined if other churches will be able to participate this year.

Dr. Chapman closed the meeting with prayer at 6:41pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Church Clerk

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