

UNITED CHURCH OF GOD BIG SANDY, INC.

P.O. Box 690
BIG SANDY, TEXAS 75755

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 2, 2004

Members Present:

Bernie Monsalvo, Wynn Skelton, Tat Tomes, Don Walls, John Warren
A quorum was present, per Article IV, Section 8 of the bylaws.

Members Absent:

Don Mischnick, Karl Wilson

Pastor:

Present

Agenda:

Review of the minutes
Treasurer's report
Proposed amendment to bylaws
Update on the Thailand sponsorship
Media and evangelism
Discussion of parliamentary procedure
Set date for next meeting
Pastor's report

Call to Order:

The meeting, held at 1106 West Broadway, Big Sandy, Texas, was called to order by president Wynn Skelton at 7:35 p.m. John Warren opened with prayer.

Review of the Minutes:

Bernie Monsalvo moved to accept the minutes of the July 6, 2004 meeting; the motion was seconded by John Warren and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

On behalf of Don Mischnick, Wynn Skelton distributed financial statements dated July 31, 2004 and reported that income for July was approximately 1 percent above that of July 2003. The year-to-date income is running about 4 percent ahead of the same period last year.

Old Business:

Proposed amendment to bylaws: There was no significant discussion of the proposed amendment. According to the bylaws, the matter may be voted on at the next regular meeting.

Update on the Thailand sponsorship: Dave Havir mentioned that Mandi Steele is doing well and is anxious to write more about her experiences. Jessica Wilson is scheduled to travel to Thailand shortly after the Feast of Tabernacles.

Media and evangelism: Various ideas were mentioned, but a major portion of the discussion revolved around the two major objectives of our congregation: setting a positive example in the community and serving scattered brethren.

New Business:

Discussion of parliamentary procedure: Don Walls initiated a discussion of Article XII, Section 1 of the bylaws, which states in part: "*Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised* shall govern the conduct of all meetings of the Board ..." John Warren helped to clarify some details of parliamentary procedure and agreed to present a brief lesson on Robert's Rules at each of the next several meetings. The trustees decided that this portion of the bylaws does not need to be amended at this time.

Set date for next meeting: Due to the fact that Labor Day falls on the first Monday of September, the next regular meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, September 7, 2004.

Pastor's Report:

Dave Havir commented on his recent trip to Hattiesburg, Mississippi, at the invitation of a former congregation of the Intercontinental Church of God. He mentioned that they questioned him thoroughly on a wide variety of topics and expressed enthusiasm over the new relationship between the two congregations. He indicated that he would like to send speakers to Hattiesburg about six times per year.

The discussion then turned to the growing number of invitations that Mr. Havir is receiving to speak to different groups. He commented on the contrast between the enthusiasm of the scattered brethren and congregations, and the more passive outlook that is sometimes evident in our congregation. He will be making more of an effort to help the congregation catch the vision of the unique opportunity we have to help brethren and congregations in the greater Church of God community.

Mr. Havir asked the board about possibly offering the use of our building to Bill Jacobs and Guy Swenson for one of their evangelism conferences. The trustees were in favor of the idea. He also gave a brief update on Feast preparations and expressed his desire to support the eighth annual Winter Family Tournament sponsored by the Cincinnati, Ohio, and Lexington, Kentucky, congregations. In order to avoid scheduling conflicts for those who wish to travel to Lexington for that activity, our annual fellowship weekend will be postponed one week (to the weekend of January 1, 2005).

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m. by president Wynn Skelton.

Submitted By:



Don Walls, *Secretary*

Minutes approved September 7, 2004