

New Monmouth Baptist Church
Minutes – March 2, 2010 – 7:30PM

Deacons attending meeting – Eric Finlayson, Dave Furniss, Erwin Muller and John O’Neil. Gary Steidl joined the meeting in progress.

Guests – Pastor Wayne Briggs, Pastor Tom Crenshaw, Pastor Dan Immordino and Don Thompson.

Meeting opened with prayer

Many emails and letters were sent to the Deacon Board concerning the senior pastor vote and the process. Deacon members reviewed these communications. The communications were overly supportive of Pastor Tom and his ministry at NMBC.

Chairman’s Report –

- 1) Dave Furniss agreed to correspond to each letter/email received concerning the election process and results.
- 2) Dave Furniss agreed to review votes cast for senior pastor to verify no fraud.
- 3) The board agreed not to conduct a new vote concerning Pastor Tom Crenshaw for senior pastor.

Interim Pastor Report-

- 1) Pastor Tom agreed to stay as long as Deacons desired him to.
- 2) Pastor Tom also agreed to leave if that was the will of the Deacon Board.
- 3) Pastor Tom informed the Deacons his ministry style is to minister as if he will be here for ten years.

Personnel –

Resolution – Pastor Tom Crenshaw is to remain interim pastor until a new pastor is called or until such time he decides to leave. (the resolution passed unanimously)

Church –

Pastor Wayne discussed church reconciliation with the Deacons. The goal of this process is to reconcile and restore believers in the church. Different approaches are required for different circumstances. A separate meeting was planned for March 9, 2010 to discuss approaching certain individuals in the congregation.

A meeting with the Trustees was scheduled for March 9, 2010 to discuss current church events including the vote for the senior pastor. Discussions concerning the outcome and process were planned.

Senior Pastor Search Committee –

- 1) Mark Best was unanimously approved by the Deacon board to be a representative on the search committee.
- 2) The Trustees would be given an opportunity to select one of their members as a representative to the committee.

- 3) Current members are Eric Finlayson, Dave Furniss, John O'Neil, Joan Steidl, Mary Downum and Esther Pinero.
- 4) The Board thanks Jane Jarusiewicz, Vera Muller and Mike Reiber for their previous work on the search committee.

Meeting ended with prayer at 11:38PM.