Manitoba Baptist Association

2:30 pm Saturday

Call to Order •102nd Session

October 18, 2014, Mission Baptist Church, Barry Thiessen called the meeting to order with prayer.

Seating of Delegates

Elim, Beausejour	3
First, Minitonas	4
Moosehorn, Moosehorn	0
Emmanuel, Morris	5
Oakbank, Oakbank	6
Grace, Ochre River	4
Whiteshell, Seven Sisters	0
Temple, Swan River	4
Whitemouth, Whitemouth	0
Abundant Life	2
Central	0
Fort Richmond	2
McDermot Avenue	8
Mission	7
New Life Ministries	1
Rowandale	6
Whyte Ridge	10
Waverley Church	0
Meadowood Chaplain	1
Meadowood Foundation	1
Regional Minister	1
Camp Nutimik	0
Wellman Lake Bible Camp	0
Guests	1
Executive	2
Total	68

MSC to accept the delegates as presented.

Special Committees

Ballot Committee: Not needed for the 2014 meeting.

Scrutineers: Allen Unger, Brian

Russell

Resolution of Thanks: Terry Janke

MSC to appoint the committees.

Minutes of 2013 Meeting

Summary of 2013 meeting minutes were presented by way of the Annual Report Booklet.

MSC to accept the 2013 minutes.

Elections for 2015/2016

The nominees for 2015/16 were presented.

- Moderator Barry Thiessen 2015/16
- Vice Moderator 2015
- Recording Secretary Dave Henkelman 2014/15
- Treasurer Al Donald 2015/16
- Church Planting Sig Seidel 2014/15
- General Council Rep Harry Pohl 2014-2016
- MBWM Rep. Daphne Keck 2014/15 (Appointed by MBWM)

MSC to accept the nominations by acclamation.

Financial Report

Treasurer Allan Donald was unable to attend the 2014 AGM.

Dave Henkelman drew the delegates attention to the 2013 Financial Report. There was a surplus of \$14,376 in 2013. Thanks expressed for the faithful giving of the MBA churches.

Suggestion was made to ask Pathway Camp Ministries to submit a ministry report for the MBA Annual Report next year.

MSC to approve the financial report as presented.

2015 Budget Presentation

A number of questions were asked about various aspects of the budget.

Note was made of the decrease in

budgeted expenses for Women's Ministries. In 2015 and onward, only money that needs to be receipted by the MBA will be reflected in the MBA's books.

Note was made of the addition of Pathway Camp Ministries into the budget for the first time. These funds are equivalent to Pathway Camp's cost in running a week long ministry in a northern reserve. These funds will be available to personnel from MBA churches serving on a northern reserve with Pathway Camp Ministries.

Question: Why is there a decrease in the Youth budget.

Answer: The large group/ association wide events like winter retreats are no longer being planned. As a result, those leading youth ministries in our churches have not requested funds for association wide youth ministry.

MSC to approve the 2015 budget as presented.

Reports

Regional Minister – Phyl Putz

Moderator Barry Thiessen noted this is Phyl Putz's last report to the MBA. He is transitioning from the Regional Minister role at the end of May 2015.

- Expressed appreciation for acceptance into the MBA 11&1/2 years ago and over the years of ministry.
- Expressed love for the churches and pastors in the MBA.
- 8 formal consultations with churches. 2 with churches undergoing great turmoil and yet these churches have been able to move forward.
- 2014 2 new pastors: Steven & Mary Ann Black, First Baptist Church, Minitonas, and Jay & Dallas Lafontaine, Whiteshell

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Baptist Church, Seven Sisters. Ken & Jeanne Dueck, interim at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Morris.

- Churches seeking pastors:
 MBA: Moosehorn and Beausejour.
 NCA: Plevna, MT & Harvey, ND.
- Hope that before May 31, 2015 we will see a witness reestablished where Central Baptist Church was located.
- Transitioning (not really retiring) into another ministry as God reveals it to them.
- Thank you for your encouragement in ministry.

Note: There will be an official farewell for Phyl & Jo Putz in April or May 2015.

Other Reports

David Holland announced the Meadowood Chaplaincy Support Concert, October 25, 2014 at Waverley Church. Approximately 120 people meet on Sunday morning at Meadowood.

Reports were distributed in advance through the Annual Report Booklet.

MSC to accept the reports of all organizations & ministries.

Other Business

Central Baptist Church

Central has been renting their building out to two other church groups. As a result their finances are quite good. Taking care of the building is not an issue, the funds are there.

The remaining people at Central Baptist Church will be joining with Mission Baptist. There will be a recognition of God's faithfulness over the years and a closing of ministry on October 19. October 26, Central People will be officially welcomed at Mission Baptist.

The hope/goal is to start another ministry in this location of the city.

The money they have in their church bank account will be used for ministry down the road when a church plant/new church starts.

Please pray for a church planter for the new work.

Church Planting Fund

Question: Where is the Church Planting Fund reflected in the Annual report and how much does it currently hold? Answer: Page 16. Amount \$183,257 end of 2013.

Regional Leadership Team

The Regional Leadership Team will be meeting with a candidate for Regional Minister in Fargo, ND, on Sunday, October 26.

The goal is to have the new Regional Minister overlap with Phyl Putz's ministry to help ensure a smooth transition.

There is a reserve in the Regional Minister fund to help cover the costs associated with the transition.

Resolution of Thanks Com.

Thanks expressed to the host church – Mission Baptist Church and their people, speakers from Forge Canada: Cam Roxburgh & Scott Hagley, Phyl & Jo Putz and their role in our Association.

MSC to accept the resolution of thanks.

Scrutineers Committee

Affirmed the minutes accurately reflect the proceedings at this Annual General Session of the Manitoba Baptist Association.

MSC to accept the scrutineers report.

Next meeting

2015 Association Conference and Annual General Meeting – October 16-17, 2015.

Location yet to be determined.

Closing prayer

Phyl Putz led us in a closing pastoral prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Submitted by:

Dave Henkelman MBA Recording Secretary