

Trinity Baptist Church
Trustee Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 7, 2011
CLC Grand Room
6:00PM

The regular meeting of the Trustees was held Monday, November 7, 2011, with Donna McIlveen opening the meeting.

In attendance:

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Dianna Crocker, Dick Foster, Fredda Gill, Bill Harrison, Sr., Tom Hill, Les Hollon, Gardner Kendrick, Barry Long, Donna McIlveen, Mary Osborne, Mel Pankey, and Phyllis Patterson.

ABSENT: Paul Bracher

STAFF: Vicki Hollon, Ed Nelson, Debbie Potter, Gavin Rogers, and Donn Wisdom

GUESTS: 13

Prayer and Devotion: Phyllis Patterson opened the meeting with remarks and Scripture focusing on the word trust.

Approval of Prior Minutes: The minutes were approved for the October 3, 2011, Trustee meeting.

Adjustment to Agenda: Trustee Goals and Objectives—agenda item #7—was moved to the December 5, 2011, meeting to allow ample time for discussion of the newly modified second service proposal by the Senior Pastor and Staff and the town hall meeting on October 3, 2011.

Report from Senior Pastor Regarding Modified Proposal: Donna McIlveen described the town hall meeting as well attended, with people speaking up to ask questions and to make encouraging comments. A new proposal has resulted.

Based on discussions by the Staff following the town hall meeting, Les spoke of the congregation's unified voice in several areas: (1) worship as honoring God, (2) acceptance of a second service, (3) TriPoint's unique venue, as well as (4) concerns regarding Sunday school growth and gap time between services in the first proposal.

Les presented a modified proposal that meets the Staff's objectives, minimizes changes to the current schedule, shortens to 30 minutes the gap between Sunday school and the contemporary service, and provides the later service time for younger populations who prefer that time, all while ending by 12:00PM.

Les fielded questions and observations from both the Trustees and the guests. Bill Harrison, Sr. acknowledged the time spent in study of the issue and then suggested that it is time to begin the work. Flexibility and adaptability are critical in attempting this new endeavor. Donna McIlveen encouraged the Trustees to make notes about logistical questions—facilities, resources, transportation, children's SS program and care, worship elements—to send to Les or Donna. Ultimately, the Trustee body affirmed the proposal. The intended target date for launch is February, 2012.

Report from Church Administrator: Ed Nelson reported that, through five weeks of the new Church year, General Fund gifts amounted to \$305,945. Disbursements were \$285,390. To date, the total mission ministry disbursements and designated gifting (from the General Fund) were \$16,452, which is 5.3%. The line of credit has not been used thus far. Restricted investments total \$1,312,063. Ed advised the Trustees that a spring stewardship campaign is a practical enhancement to the Church budget.