

PROCEEDINGS
110TH ANNUAL SESSION
WOLF BAYOU ASSOCIATION of GENERAL BAPTIST
MARCH 7, 2010
HEBER SPRINGS FIRST GENERAL BAPTIST CHURCH
HEBER SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

Bro. Dennis Powell, Moderator welcomed from the First General Baptist Church of Heber Springs, and appointed Dwight Decker as parliamentarian.

- I. Hymn – Heavenly Sunlight – Led by Wetzel Stark
- II. Temporary Credentials Committee, Scott Cates, Jerry Sartain, and Charles Bennett reported 12 pastors, 34 deacons, 56 delegates, 4 other ordained & 14 churches present, quorum met.
 - A. Motion & 2nd to accept the report
 - B. Carried.
- III. 110th Session of the Wolf Bayou Association called to order by Moderator, Bro Dennis Powell
- IV. Reading Clerk, Harol Dean Lacy read letters from Claremont Avenue General Baptist Church and Gravel Ridge General Baptist Church, withdrawing their membership from Wolf Bayou Association to join a newly formed association, Central Rock Association.
- V. Executive Committee Report (printed in Ministry Magazine)
 - A. Motion & 2nd to adopt as printed
 - B. Carried
- VI. Celebration Moment – Moderator’s Vision
 - A. Why are Southern Baptist bigger than we are?
 1. Leadership
 - a. Association Life
 - b. New Ministers
 - c. Planting Churches
 - d. International Missions
 - e. Local Evangelism
 - f. Unified Giving
 - B. We need to lead by faith
 - C. God does not bless the “correct;” He blesses the faithful
- VII. Hymn – Be Thou My Vision – Led by Wetzel Stark

VIII. Nominating Committee Report

- A. Corrections to the Presbytery
 - 1. Vice Moderator – Novy Newkirk
 - 2. Clerk – Caleb Decker
- B. Motion & 2nd to accept the report from the committee and to elect all nominations
- C. Carried

IX. Ministers Aide Board Report (printed in Ministry Magazine)

- A. Ruby Bittle to be removed
- B. Motion & 2nd to accept report as printed
- C. Carried

X. Celebration Moment – New Deacons and Ministers

XI. Camp Formosa report given by Pam Powell

- A. Asking churches to set aside Sunday, April 11, 2010 for special offering for Camp
- B. May 22, 2010 Picnic for everyone
- C. Has Camp Events Calendars available for \$5.00 donation and Camp Ink Pens for \$2.00 donation
- D. Resolution

Statements of Fact:

- 1. The Wolf Bayou Association of General Baptists (Wolf Bayou Assn) and the Post Oak Grove Association of General Baptists (Post Oak Grove Assn) jointly own the real property commonly known as The Formosa Youth Camp, or Camp Formosa located at 11184 Hwy 336 W, Clinton, AR 72031.
- 2. The Camp Formosa Board is comprised of representatives from each of the aforementioned associations and has the specific purpose of overseeing all camp activities and the maintenance of said property.

Based upon the facts outlined above, the Camp Formosa Board does hereby request that Wolf Bayou Assn execute a promissory note with an entity for the purpose of borrowing up to \$150,000. The proceeds of the loan will only be used for the construction of two cabins to be used for the housing of camp participants. The request also includes securing the loan by executing a mortgage on the real property located at Camp Formosa. The amortization of the loan will not exceed 15 years. The entity to be used for the loan will be determined by the Camp Formosa Board and will be based upon the most advantageous terms available.

Wolf Bayou Assn hereby authorizes Willie Stone and Sarah Decker to execute said documents on behalf of Wolf Bayou Assn. This resolution is contingent upon the approval and execution of same documents by representatives of Post oak Grove Assn. It is also contingent upon the Camp Formosa Board signing said promissory note.

1. Motion and 2nd to accept Resolution
 2. Carried
- E. Willie Stone & Sarah Decker were nominated for the 2 persons to execute said documents in Resolution on behalf of Wolf Bayou Association.
1. Motion and 2nd that nominations cease and proceed to elect
 2. Carried
- XII. General Baptist Ministries Report given by Bro. Sam Ramdial
- A. Motion & 2nd to accept this report
 - B. Carried
- XIII. Council of Association report
- A. Motion & 2nd to accept this report
 - B. Carried
- XIV. Celebration Moment – Pastor Interview
- A. Charles Hill – Church planting in Utah
 - B. Vision – Establish Church
 - C. What can WBA do to help
 1. Pray
 2. People
 3. Recourses
 4. Money
 - D. 9/26/2010 target launch date
 - E. Executive Committee to put together a prayer plan, set a day to pray
- XV. Oakland City University Report given by James Pratt
- A. Motion & 2nd to accept report
 - B. Carried
- XVI. Scholarship Committee report given by Pat Henderson
- A. Motion & 2nd to accept report as given
 - B. Carried
- XVII. Celebration Moment – Pastor Interview, Bro Caleb Decker
- A. Best advice for a New Pastor
 1. Let go and let God use you
 - B. Who was your greatest influence in your ministry?
 1. Dad (Bro. Dwight Decker), because he learned what a pastor is supposed to be.
 2. Best Friend (Bro. Aaron Hill), because Aaron keeps him accountable.
 - C. What would be one best thing to tell a new pastor before he takes a church?
 1. Get married, you need a help mate.
- XVIII. Hymn – Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah – Led by Wetzel Stark

- XIX. Scholarship Endowment Offering
 - A. \$607.78

- XX. Arkansas Mission Society/Home Mission Board report given by Jerry Slayton
 - A. Motion & 2nd to accept this report
 - B. Carried

- XXI. Evangelism Committee given by Dwight Decker
 - A. Dwight Decker and Jeff Thomas resigning, Brian Harlan's term has expired
 - B. Curtis Fain to replace Brian Harlan
 - C. Caleb Decker and Roger Harlan were nominated from the floor the fill the positions.
 - D. Motion & 2nd nominations cease and proceed to elect
 - E. Carried

- XXII. Clerk's Financial Report (printed in the Ministry Magazine)
 - A. Motion and 2nd to accept report as printed
 - B. Carried

- XXIII. Finance Committee Report
 - A. Motion & 2nd to accept report as read by the Reading Clerk, Bro Harol Dean Lacy
 - B. Carried

- XXIV. Resolution committee report
 - A. No report given

- XXV. Polity and Doctrine Report
 - A. No report given

- XXVI. 2011 annual meeting
 - A. Motion & 2nd to meet at the Heber Springs First General Baptist Church on the First Sunday in March.
 - B. Carried