

Highlights of First Baptist Church Board Meeting March 7, 2009

Present: Bryan Black, Rod Maurer, Dave Reed, Jef Riley, Matt Singer, Matt Solverson, Tim Swigart, Executive Assistant Mark Ranum, and Youth Pastor Russ Paul

Absent: Charles Davis, Dee Krumwiede, Richard March, Brent Erickson, Craig Hunter and Pastor Nate Whiteside

Tim Swigart led the devotion on the topic of forgiveness. Mathew 18: 21-35 were read and a discussion followed on forgiveness and how it is so important to the unity of the church.

The shepherding list was discussed and prayer was offered up for members on each list as there was a need. Changes to the list were discussed and Mark will forward a corrected list to the board members next week.

Items donated to the church such as the table in the kitchen, the computer for the office, and the laser printer were noted and thank you cards will be sent where they have not. The work done to improve the office was also noted.

The three fold ministries were then discussed and updates were given in two of those areas of focus.

Teach The Found:

- The Newsletter being produced by Carmi Krumwiede was discussed and the board wants to encourage this ministry. It will be made available online on the church web site shortly.
- Jeanine is running out of space in the library and there was discussion on how more space could be found or created.
- The Sunday School curriculum was discussed and it was felt there was a need for all to become aware of the big picture or overall direction in our curriculum choices.

Glorify and Enjoy God:

- Rod Maurer brought up the spring cleaning day on March 28th. Specific items to be done will be put on a list and posted in the church office. The list should be added to as needed tasks are discovered.

The board then discussed the possible hiring of an intern for the year 2009. Youth Pastor Russ Paul updated the board on what had transpired to date regarding a specific internship candidate. The candidates intended ministry focus and resume were reviewed and discussed. Matters of compensation, fit of candidate, and overall purpose for the internship were discussed. Discussion also centered around the question of whether or not the prospect of having an intern was the right thing for First Baptist at this point. A vote was taken after a lengthily discussion and it was decided that this was not the right time for us to provide an internship.

The final topic was that of the planned Board Retreat. It was decided that the proposed date was too close to allow it to happen. In house alternatives were also discussed that would be more cost effective.

Respectfully,

Mark Ranum
Executive Assistant