FMC Conference Minutes

November 11, 2023

Clearwater Church and Zoom

Heather Dixon called the meeting to order at 10:41 a.m. Approximately 25 people were gathered in person and another 25 were connected via Zoom. Heather offered an opening prayer.

Apostle David Nii assumed the Chair to share greetings from the World Church Leadership Council. Apostle Nii, President of Seventy Larry McGuire, and Field Minister Moana Faana are now all assigned to this area. President Steve Veazey continues a leave of absence. The Council of Twelve is following President Veazey's guidance in seeking a new leader for the church. Metamorphosis and transformation remain a big focus of the church as we move into the future.

Heather Dixon asked for a motion to approve the November 12, 2022, Conference Minutes as printed. Chuck Petz so moved, the motion was seconded, and the vote carried.

Apostle Nii shared the appointments of Paul Houk, Heather Dixon, and Lisa Houk to the Florida Mission Center Presidents' Team by the world church presidency. Paul has been appointed president of record. Jacob Blakesley moved to sustain the team, the motion was seconded, and the vote carried.

Apostle Nii shared the appointment of Lisa Houk to Mission Center Financial Officer (MCFO) by the Presiding Bishopric of the church. Serena Tankersley moved to sustain Lisa as MCFO, the motion was seconded, and the vote carried.

Apostle Nii was assisted by Moana Faana in setting apart Paul Houk, Heather, Dixon, and Lisa Houk as the Mission Center Presidents' Team.

Moana Faana was assisted by Apostle Nii in setting apart Lisa Houk as MCFO.

Heather Dixon was assisted by Paul and Lisa Houk in setting apart Jacob Blakesley as Mission Center Invitational Support Minister.

Paul Houk assumed the Chair to share the presidents' report.

Lisa Houk introduced the new Mission Center Council. Lorna Owens moved to sustain the council, the motion was seconded, and the vote carried.

Serena Tankersley gave a report on youth ministries.

Lisa Houk assumed the Chair to present the 2024 Budget. Chuck Petz moved to approve the budget and the motion was seconded. The Chair called for discussion, but no questions or comments were needed since it had been discussed during pre-legislation. Martha Schulte again moved to adopt the budget as printed, the motion was seconded, and the vote carried.

Jim Brougher shared a report on Tarpon Springs ministries.

Jacob Blakesley shared a report on his work with invitational ministries.

Heather Dixon assumed the Chair to ask for new business. No new business was raised so Heather shared announcements and information on upcoming events.

Jacob Blakesley offered a closing prayer.

Heather adjourned the meeting at 12:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Bartlett