

# FMC Conference Minutes

November 9, 2024

Clearwater Church and Zoom

Heather Dixon called the conference to order at 10:33 a.m. and then offered a prayer.

Moana Faana brought greetings from world church and invited everyone to participate in the 2025 World Conference. Apostle David Nii will retire during the conference. The question for the church as we move forward is how will we align our priorities and move into the future.

President-designate Stassi Cramm will share her vision for the future at a Town Hall called Z-1 during the conference. We are asked to respond to a survey to help planners determine how to prioritize the 14 pieces of legislation on the world conference agenda. Moana emphasized that as we consider our resources, YOU are the greatest resource the church has.

John Shotwell moved to approve the November 11, 2023, Conference Minutes. The vote received a second, discussion was allowed, and the vote carried.

Moana read the appointment letter for the mission center presidency team, recommending Lisa Houk, Heather Dixon, and Paul Houk to continue in their roles. Sam Nichols moved to sustain the team, the motion received a second and the vote carried.

Moana read the appointment letter recommending Lisa Houk for mission center financial officer. Rachel Blakesley moved to sustain Lisa, the motion received a second and the vote carried.

Paul Houk shared a report from the President's Team for all that has happened in 2024. The report will be published on the Forms page of the FMC website.

Paul and Lisa Houk recognized Serena Tankersley for her service as Youth Ministries Leader. Her position will end on December 31. Serena was not present due to health issues, but the Houks plan to present her with a gift.

Lisa Houk presented the Mission Center Council for 2025: Andrea Cooper, Janice Lotz, Rosa Lopez, Nathaniel Ralston, Rachel Blakesley, and Tracy Miller. John Shotwell moved to sustain the council, the motion received a second and the vote carried.

Debbie Bartlett shared a youth ministry report. Her report will be posted on the Forms page of the FMC website.

Jacob Blakesley shared a report on invitational ministries. His message was to invite, invite, invite! He also gave his contact information and invited congregations to use him as a resource. He dedicated his service in 2025 to the memory of Fred Hartford and committed to visiting more congregations and building a team of invitational ministers to work throughout the mission center.

Lisa Houk presented the 2021 audit. The auditor is also working on 2022 and 2023 and should have those completed by the end of this year. Bob Beers moved to approve the 2021 audit, the motion received a second and the vote carried.

Lisa then presented the 2025 Budget. Bob Beers moved to approve the budget, and the motion received a second. There was no further discussion since questions had been previously answered in pre-legislation just prior to the conference. The vote carried.

Paul Houk called for nominations for delegates to World Conference. Thirty-one nominations were added to the ballot prior to the conference. An additional 8 names were added in person to bring the total delegate count to 39. Since the mission center is allotted 41 delegates, Paul called for a vote to approve the 39 names on the ballot and the vote carried.

Paul then handed out a QR code to the world conference legislation prioritization survey. The survey will remain open until December 6 and will continue to be distributed via mission center communications in the coming weeks. A link to read the legislation can be found in the directions for the survey. Background information on each item can be found on the World Conference legislation page as well.

Heather Dixon called for New Business. There was none. She then shared announcements of upcoming events which will be posted with the other conference documents on the Forms page of the FMC website.

Jacob Blakesley invited everyone to attend a family event over New Year's at Bluff Springs campground and then offered a prayer.

The conference sang hymn 654.

Paul offered a prayer.

The conference adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Bartlett