

FMC Conference - November 10, 2018

Orlando Church

Ken Campbell called the meeting to order at 1:10pm.

Carrie Welch brought greetings from World Church and Apostle Barbara Carter. She invited everyone to World Conference and the 25th anniversary celebration of the Temple, April 6-13, 2019.

The conference reviewed the minutes from the November 11, 2017 Conference. No corrections were made. The minutes were accepted as printed. The minutes from the Special Conference on April 28, 2018 were reviewed and accepted as printed.

Carrie Welch assumed the Chair. Peter Smith moved to sustain the FMC President team, the motion was seconded. Carrie shared letters of support from the First Presidency. The conference voted unanimously to sustain the team. Sam Nichols moved to sustain Chuck Petz as FMC Financial Officer, the motion was seconded. The vote carried unanimously.

Ken Campbell, along with Chuck Petz and Mark Dixon, shared the President's report for 2018. Brenda Cummins resigned from Invitational Support Minister and the position has not yet been filled. Serena Tankersley was introduced as the new Youth Ministries Leader. Carrie Welch replaced Craig Lenfestey as Field Support Minister for our area. Mission Center workshops throughout the year were highlighted. The Jacksonville building was sold.

Serena Tankersley reported on her two months as Youth Ministries Leader and her vision for the future.

Debbie Bartlett shared the 2017 audit report printed in the conference bulletin. Peter Smith moved to accept the report; the motion was seconded. The vote carried.

Chuck Petz reported on the New Port Richey congregation and Tarpon Springs changes and merger.

Debbie presented the 2018 Financial Statement.

Mark Dixon and Debbie shared the Youth Ministries Council report.

Chuck led an offering.

Bill Steiner moved to consider the priesthood call of Peter Smith to the office of Seventy. The motion was seconded. Peter shared his testimony of calling and his willingness to accept. The conference shared testimonies of support. The conference voted unanimously to support the call.

A list of World Conference delegates was presented and added to. Since only 25 names have been volunteered, the conference voted to approve the whole list. The mission center presidents will add more delegates as they become available to fill our 41 slots.

Chuck Petz presented the 2019 Budget. Kenny McClary moved to consider the budget; the motion was seconded. Discussion followed. Rick Mills asked if the FMC is doing anything to address the issue of event safety. Chuck replied that some specialists have been consulted and it was discussed at the Nuts and Bolts training with leaders. Chuck called for a vote to approve the budget; the vote carried.

Ken Campbell asked for items of other business. Sam Nichols presented a resolution to establish a Deerhaven Campground Study Group. A second was given to consider the resolution. Discussion followed. Debbie Bartlett amended the resolution to change the opening paragraph. Discussion followed. The conference voted to approve the amendment. Discussion continued. Charlie Brown moved to amend the resolution by adding a sixth bullet point at the end. The motion was seconded. Discussion followed. The vote failed to approve Charlie's amendment. The resolution was read again as first amended and the vote was called. The vote carried to approve the Resolution to Establish a Deerhaven Campground Study Group:

Be it resolved, that the Florida Mission Center (FMC) authorize a study group to investigate the continued ownership of the Deerhaven Campground.

The study group will include five (5) members.

One appointed by the FMC Presidency

One appointed by the Deerhaven Board of Directors

Three elected at large by the FMC Conference

The study group is to prepare a report and present their findings to a combined meeting of the FMC Presidency and the Deerhaven Board of Directors by or before October 15, 2019.

This report is not limited to, but should include, the following:

- 1. The number of FMC user days*
- 2. The cost of a user day*
- 3. What options would be available if Deerhaven Campground was sold*
- 4. What is the cost of keeping Deerhaven*
- 5. Identify other facilities that could be used to accommodate FMC activities*

Ken Campbell then called for nominations to serve on the newly created group. Chuck Petz nominated Sam Nichols. Rick Mills was nominated and declined. Kenny McClary nominated Charlie Brown. Chuck Petz nominated Serena Tankersley. Campbell called for the vote and the conference elected Sam Nichols, Charlie Brown and Serena Tankersley. Two more will be appointed to the group as indicated in the resolution.

No other items of business were presented.

Debbie announced upcoming events and shared links to websites for more information.

Ken Campbell adjourned the conference at 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Bartlett

Administrative Ministries