

# *West Highland Fellowship Baptist Church*

Synopsis of Meeting

BOARD OF ELDERS

June 16, 2022, 2022

## **Attendance:**

Elders:	Kevin Miller John Maheu	Tom Budge Helio Nichele	Phil Seagrove Cal Voortman
Staff:	John Mahaffey	Jamie Strickland	Kris Ullman
Regrets:	Rob Kapteyn	Paul Gerics	Ed Brink

## **Call to Order and Opening Prayer:**

The Chairman, Phil Seagrove, called the meeting to order and opened in prayer.

## **Meeting Administration:**

**Motion 20220616-01:** It was moved to "approve the agenda as modified" Moved by Kevin Miller seconded by John Maheu. Carried.

**Motion 20220616-02:** It was moved to "approve the minutes and synopsis of the previous meeting of May 19, 2022." Moved by John Maheu, seconded by Cal Voortman. Carried.

**Motion 20220616-03:** It was moved to "approve the minutes and synopsis of the meeting of June 9, 2022." Moved by Tom Budge, seconded by Kevin Miller. Carried.

There was one action item arising from the meeting of May 19 2022:

- *The discussion of the Elder Self Assessment was deferred to June 26, 2022 - No further discussion of the Elder Self Assessment will occur.*

## **Chairman's Comments:**

**Motion 20220616-04:** It was moved to ratify the e-mail vote that took place on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The motion was put forward by Cal Voortman and seconded by Tom Budge.

***To go forward and hire the 6 high school students irrespective of funding from Canada Summer Jobs. Carried.***



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## **Book Study:**

Pastor John Mahaffey led a discussion on the Biblical Rationale for Opposing Gambling.

- The Present Social Millieu
- The Church's Historic Position
- Inadequate Thinking, Weak Argumentation and the Need for Clear Definition
- Thinking Through Scripture and Its Principles (Twelve Points)
- Desire to see change at a deeper level requires prayer
- Discussion regarding turning this study into a paper for the whole church

## **Prayer and Sharing Time**

The Elders spent time in prayer focused on a member matter

## **Mortgage Elimination Update**

Calvin distributed minutes from the MEC prior to this meeting and provided a brief update.



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## **Lead Pastor's Report**

**Motion 20220616-05:** It was moved to "accept the Lead Pastor's report as distributed". Moved by Pastor John seconded by Kevin Miller. Carried.

**Motion 20220616-06:** It was moved to give Ken Hajas the green to explore Day Care. Moved by Pastor John seconded by Cal Voortman. Carried.

**Motion 20220616-07:** It was moved to recommend to the membership that we call for an Ordination Council for Pastor Jamie Stickland date to be determined. Moved by Pastor John seconded by Tom Budge. Carried.

## **Executive Pastor's Report:**

**Motion 20220616-08:** It was moved to "accept the Executive Pastor's report as distributed". Moved by Pastor Kris, seconded by John Maheu. Carried.

## **Discussion on Letters to the Elders**

Phil Seagrove provided an regarding the status of a letter of concern that was received by the Elders

## **Governance Matters**

**Motion 20220616-09:** It was moved to approve three policies 1.27, Social Media Policy, 1.20.2 Internet Website Legal Disclaimer and 1.20 Internet Website Policy with the addition of and Scripture Reference and Deacons added to points that mention Ministry Team and Elders. Moved by Tom Budge, seconded by John Maheu. Carried.

## **Potential Elders for 2023**

The Elders reviewed the current list of potential Elders for 2023 and agreed on the top for candidates to be approached.

## **AGM Agenda**

**Motion 20220616-10:** It was moved to approve the agenda for the June 26, 2022 AGM. Moved by John Maheu, seconded by Kevin Miller. Carried.

**Motion 20220616-11:** It was moved to recommend to the membership that the following be elected as officers for the coming year:

- Ed Brink - Treasurer
- Katrina Stairs- Church Clerk
- Kurt Davis – Moderator

Moved by Tom Budge, seconded by Kevin Miller. Carried.

## **Treasurer's Report:**



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Phil Seagrove provided an overview on our financial position in the absence of Ed Brink.

**Motion 22020616-12:** It was moved to accept the Financial Report provided. Moved by John Maheu, seconded by Cal Voortman. Carried.

### **Closing Prayer**

Calvin Voortman closed our meeting in prayer.

**Motion 22020616-13:** It was moved to “adjourn the meeting”. Moved by Cal Voortman. Carried.

**Next Meeting:** July 21, 2022

### **Upcoming Events:**

Quarterly Elders and MT Prayer & Strategy Session – June 25

Annual General Meeting – June 26