

Elder Business Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 30, 5:30–9:30pm

Attendance:

- Hoke
- Stephen
- Tony
- Chris

Next Meetings:

- Tuesday, July 21, 5:30pm
- Monday, August 10, 5:30pm

Discussion

TIME	TOPIC	OBJECTIVES
5:30pm	<i>Meal</i> • The elders shared a meal.	Fellowship and Connection
6:00pm	<i>Open in Prayer</i> • Hoke opened the meeting in prayer.	Consecration and Dependence.
	<i>Devotional Reflection</i> • The elders started an expositional study through Titus, and Stephen led the first devotional on Titus 1:1–4.	
	Guarding (Prayer) <i>Membership Matters</i> • The elders discussed various matters pertaining to current and potential members. <i>Prayer</i> • The elders prayed for various needs in the life of the church.	Spiritual Oversight through Word, Prayer, and Administration.
	Guiding (Teaching) <i>Preaching Feedback</i> • The elders gave Stephen feedback on recent sermons.	

	Preaching Dates - The elders selected preaching dates for the rest of the year: - Tony will preach on September 6. - Chris will preach October 11. - Hoke will preach December 20 or 27 (depending on when Clayton baby #3 comes).	
	Governing (Leading) Children's Ministry - The elders discussed the bigger vision for children's ministry at BEFC. They will take a couple weeks to pray over it and meet again on July 21 to discuss and decide on a way forward. Rent Increase - The elders continued discussing the rental situation at the school. It would be helpful for the elders to keep exploring what other options might exist. Budget Strategy - The elders considered how best to shepherd the congregation through the budget shortfall we've been noticing. Related to the prior two items. Deacons - The elders continued discussing the deacon candidates and how best to move forward. Outdoor Service Plan - The elders discussed the upcoming outdoor services and looked into tent options. - We will also be sharing an evening outdoor service with Becker Baptist at our property on August 9 (in addition to the morning outdoor service). Staff Reviews - Hokan and Tony will conduct the staff reviews this summer. Weekly Bulletin - The elders are interested in reintroducing a printed bulletin each week.	

	Fall Marriage and Family Teaching Seminar - The elders discussed potentially planning a marriage and family teaching seminar soon, addressing various aspects of family life from a biblical perspective, especially the empty nesting stage since a lot of families are newly in that stage or approaching it soon. Hymn Sing at Grace Bible Church Monticello - The pastors of Grace Bible Church in Monticello invited BEFC to join them for a hymn sing on Saturday, July 18, at 6:30pm. They also invited Stephen to play trombone at it. - The elders approved Stephen playing at it, and commending it as an opportunity to our congregation. Hoke Gone - July 2–5 PC Vacation - August 24–30 Next Meeting, July 21	
	Close in Prayer The meeting was closed in prayer.	

Worship Opps Table

Date	Opps
June 7 (Communion)	PC
June 14	Tony
June 21	Hoke
June 28	PC
July 5 (Communion)	Tony
July 12	Stephen
July 19	Hoke
July 26	PC
August 2	Stephen



LIAISON DUTIES

(Goal to connect once/month)

Women's Ministry – (SC)

Men's Ministry – (TD)

Student Ministry – (PC)

Adult Sunday School – (TD/SC)

Land/Building – (HB)

Financial Team – (TD)

Welcome Team/Connections Team – (TD)

Ushers/Greeters/Safety Team/Set/Up – (TD)

Children's Ministry – (HB)

Meals Ministry – (HB)

Local/Global Missions – (SC)

Worship – (SC)