

Old McKendree Board of Trustees

Minutes: August 22, 2009

The Old McKendree Board of Trustees held a special meeting at 9 a.m., August 22, 2009 in New McKendree's Cox Hall, Jackson.

President Jack Byrd presided with the following in attendance: Jerry Willer, David Norbury, Alice Lewis, Walter Joe Ford, Ivan Statler, Weldon Macke, Jim Englehart, Paul Nothdurft, Rodney Ladreiter, Lynn Cotner, James Sanderson, Brad Biri, and Betty Henry.

District Superintendent Norbury gave the opening prayer.

Resignations of caretakers Brad and Beth Biri and Board member Mike Kasten were acknowledged. Joyce Peerman has been designated an honorary member. Two openings on the board of active members are to be filled.

Discussion centered on the responsibilities of the next caretakers as well as the Board. Jerry moved to add the following to the current job description:

- *"An annual inspection of the property, including the caretakers' house, will be conducted and an annual revue of job responsibilities will be done prior to the regular meeting of the Board in July".*

James Sanderson seconded the motion and it passed. A parsonage committee consisting of Lynn Cotner, Rodney Ladreiter, and Betty Henry was appointed.

James Sanderson moved that an additional note be added to the job description to state that: *"in case of emergencies such ice or wind storms, etc. assistance will be given the caretaker to aid in cleanup work"*. The motion was seconded by Lynn and passed.

Walter Joe moved that the Board express it's thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Biri for the work they did at Old McKendree. The motion was seconded by Rodney and passed unanimously.

Matt and Crystal Highfill, applicants for the caretaker's position met with the Board. Discussion centered on the job description previously given to them as well as the added provisions. Both Highfills agreed to the responsibilities and felt they could adequately fulfill them. During the interview, Matt asked the Board about installing a security camera on the caretakers' house that would monitor traffic along Chapel Lane if they were hired. There was no objection to this.

Following the interview, Lynn moved that the Highfills be hired as caretakers of Old McKendree Chapel and Cemetery. Jim Englehart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Weldon has contacted KFVS-TV for publicity for the Annual Meeting. Crystal will provide the refreshments with help from Betty. Matt, Lynn, and Jim will coordinate the parking. Rodney will assist David Myers as usher. Jerry asked about ordering shirts for the Board members to wear at Old McKendree functions as a means of identification. With no objections from the members, he will take care of this.

Any fund raising for Old McKendree will have to come from the Board.

Rodney will check on workman's comp for the caretakers and present the info at the September meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Poe Henry, secretary