

MINUTES OF REND LAKE DISTRICT, JAN. 21, 2012 NASON FWB

The 14th meeting of the Rend Lake District opened with Pastor John Capps welcoming us with scripture reminding us to look for the spiritual rainbow when our lives are filled with spiritual clouds.

The clerk called the meeting to order. Bro Brad Ryan recognized the standing delegates. The clerk read the submitted information from the churches. Motion was made and passed to seat the elected delegates. The minutes and treasurer's reports were approved. Bro. Brad noted that all members of the standing boards were present. He talked to us of the importance of our churches participating in the World Missions Offering since International Missions is below budget. Bro. Jim LeVault prayed, and we recessed for refreshments and fellowship.

Resuming business the Business Committee report recommendations were:

1. We recommend an honorarium of \$100.00 for today's speaker, Bro. Steve Gray.
2. We recommend a love gift of \$300.00 for the Discovery Family Church to aid in their ongoing mission and ministry work.
3. We recommend that the floor be opened to receive delegates for the upcoming state meeting to be held March 15-17 at Camp Hope. Additionally, we recommend the moderator be allowed to appoint any vacancies remaining with eligible candidates prior to that meeting.
4. Point of information: Next meeting will be held at New Hope Apr. 21st.
5. We recommend a standing vote of thanks to Nason Church for their hospitality and the coming noon meal.

The recommendations were adopted.

The following will be delegates to the State Meeting in March: Mark Kash, Francis Scott, Peg LeVault, Marilyn Irvin, Brenda Fowler, Imogene Reed, Anne Sink, Jane Harmon.

The Credentials Committee recommended:

1. that we issue cards of good standing to Bros. Johnny Hollis, Jason Janus, Bryant Harris, Raymond Capps, Larry Cook, Brad Ryan, David Milburn, John Capps and Robert Jilek.
2. We have asked Bros. Walter Freeman and Eric Drake to request letters of good standing from their previous districts before cards of good standing are issued.

The recommendation was adopted. The meeting adjourned with prayer by Bro. Brad.

Bro. Robert Drennan began the worship service by directing the body in singing "I am Thine O Lord" and "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Bro. Steve Gray, pastor of the Discovery Family Church, spoke to us of his missions ministry in Collinsville, IL. He said, "No matter what all we do for the Lord, the Spirit must do the work in people's hearts." Bro. Curtis Smith for Harmony Church dismissed in prayer.

REND LAKE DISTRICT, APRIL 21, 2012, NEW HOPE FWB CHURCH

The 15th meeting of the Rend Lake District opened with a welcome from Moderator Brad Ryan, singing, and a devotion and prayer by Bro. Raymond Capps.

The clerk called the meeting to order. Bro. Brad seated the 14 standing and 18 church delegates. The minutes and treasurer's report were presented and accepted. Bro. Robert Drennen was appointed to replace Bro. Bob Irvin for today on the Business Committee. There was nothing to report from the Executive Board. Bro. Bryant Harris, Camp Board Director, asked for volunteers for this camp season. Bro. Brad requested that the pastors present encourage their churches to give to the WMO April 29th.

Following the break, business resumed with the Credentials Committee report:

1. We would like to recommend that we issue a card of good standing to Bro. Walter Freeman and recognize his ordination.
2. Concerning the issuance of a card of good standing and recognition of ordination for Bro. Eric Drake, we will postpone until a letter is received from his previous district. When a letter of good standing is received we would recommend that a card of good standing be issued.

The recommendations were adopted.

The Business Committee recommended:

1. an honorarium of \$150.00 for today's speaker, Bro. Shane Davison, and thank him for his efforts today.
2. \$500.00 be sent to the World Missions Offering.
3. the next meeting be moved to Aug. 4th to accommodate travel to the National.
4. a standing vote of thanks for the Host Church today for their hospitality.

The recommendations were adopted.

The meeting was adjourned.

New Hope's choir opened the worship service leading us in singing "Dwelling in Beulah Land" and "It is Well." They sang "The King is Coming" and "The Man in the Middle" for us. Martha Payne directed and Tonya Neal played. Bro. Shane Davison sang "Your Grace Still Amazes Me," accompanying himself on the piano. He shared with us his ministry among the Muslims in France and used Scripture to explain how he ministers to them. He reminded us that we are also of Abraham and blessed and are told to go witness to our fields.

REND LAKE DISTRICT, AUGUST 4, 2012, OAK GROVE FWB CHURCH

The 16th meeting of the Rend Lake District opened with Bro. Randy Kash leading us in singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Bro. Walter Freeman, Oak Grove pastor, entertained prayer requests, prayed and spoke to us on the church of the Living God being the pillar and ground of truth.

Bro. Brad Ryan, moderator, prayed. The clerk called the meeting to order. Bro. Brad welcomed our non-delegates and seated the 16 standing and 17 church delegates. The minutes and treasurer's report were presented and accepted. Bro. Mark Kash was appointed to replace Bro. Bob Irvin for today on the Business Committee. There was nothing to report from the Executive Board. Bro. Bryant Harris, Camp Board Chairman, reported that there was a big increase in attendance at Youth Camp this summer and that there is now a new pond there. Bro. Shawn Mygatt announced that the Master's Men Retreat will be Sept. 13th-15th. Bro. Brad announced that the World Missions Offering was extremely good and that all the missionaries will be able to go back to their fields. He dismissed us in prayer to fellowship.

Following the break, business resumed with the Credentials Committee report:

1. We would like to recommend that we instruct the clerk to contact the Northern Quarterly of the Cumberland Association requesting a letter of Good Standing for Bro. Eric Drake.
2. We would like to recommend that we receive Bro. Judson Phenicie into our district and recognize his ordination and issue a card of good standing.

The recommendations were adopted.

The Business Committee recommended:

1. an honorarium of \$300.00 for today's speaker, Bro. Tyler Penn, and to thank him for his efforts today.
2. the next meeting be October 20th and Rescue FWB Church.
3. a standing vote of thanks for the Host Church today for their hospitality.

The recommendations were adopted.

The meeting was adjourned.

During the morning worship, Bro. Tyler Penn, home missionary to Champaign, IL, filled us in on the progress of the Illini Initiative. He explained that "There is nothing that can hinder God from making His name great among the nations."

REND LAKE DISTRICT, OCT. 20, 2012, RESCUE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

The 17th meeting of the Rend Lake District opened with Bro. Kelly Leek leading us in singing "In My Heart There Rings a Melody." Bro. Bryant Harris, Rescue pastor, shared several things that unite us at Christians. Bro. David Shores, State Promotional Director, prayed for several prayer requests that the congregation had voiced.

The clerk called the meeting to order. Bro. Bryant, assistant moderator, welcomed our non-delegates and seated the 16 standing and 20 church delegates. The minutes and treasurer's report were presented and accepted. Bro. Mark Kash was appointed to replace Bro. Bob Irvin for today on the Business Committee. Bro. Tom Harmon, Executive Board member, thanked the district for always participating in any projects occurring and asked prayer for struggling districts in the state. He also updated us on the progress of the National Master's Men pickup truck. Bro. Bryant Harris, Camp Board Chairman, reported that there was an increase of 49 campers in attendance at Youth Camp this summer. Bro. David Shores announced that the WMO offering has topped one million dollars. Bro. Judson Phenicie announced a youth retreat at the camp Nov. 2nd and 3rd.

Following the break, business resumed with the Credentials Committee report:

1. We would like to recommend that we receive Bro. Eric Drake into the Rend Lake District, recognize his credentials and issue him a card of good standing.

The recommendation was adopted.

The Business Committee recommended:

1. an honorarium of \$100.00 for today's speaker, Bro. Judson Phenicie.
2. Tom Harmon retain his position as Executive Committee representative.
3. Bro. David Milburn to fill 3 year term on Credentials Committee.
4. present officers retain their positions for the coming year.
5. Bro. Bob Irvin to fill 3 year term on Business Committee.
6. would like to thank Rescue for her hospitality.

The recommendations were adopted.

The meeting was adjourned.

During the morning worship, Bro. Judson Phenicie, associate pastor at Bear Point, encouraged us to work for the Lord, and "Don't quit."