Minutes Of The

One Hundred Thirteenth Session

Of

Social Band Association

Of

Free Will Baptists

Meeting At The

First Free Will Baptist Church

Of Jonesboro, Arkansas

July 10-11, 1987

The next quarterly meeting will convene at Elnora Free Will Baptist Church October 9-10, 1987

The next annual meeting will convene at the Alice Brooks Free Will Baptist Church July 8-9, 1988

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OFFICERS - 1987-88

MODERATOR	Bro. O.D. Winfrey
ASST. MODERATOR	
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PRESBYTERY BOARD

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EXECUTIVE BOARD/PROGRAM COMMITTEE

J. Bro Alvie Richmond	1273
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Bro. John Turner	
Bro. Dewey Thompson	
Bro. Alan Barnett	▲
Bro-J-W-Blanks	

MISSION BOARD

Bro. James Gosha

Term expires 1992.

Bro. J.W. Russell	
Bro. Paul Bean	
Bro. Darrell Holloway	
Bro-Mike-Jarrett	▲

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Sis. Imogene Carter	Term expires 1992
Sis. Kathy Dean	Term expires 1991
Sis. Pat Smith	
Sis. Thelma Graham	▲
Sis. Alice McDonald	

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Bro. Jim Williams	
Bro. J.W. Duff	
Bro. Joe McDonald	

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Bro. Jeral Dean	
Bro. Clarence Price	-
Bro Larry Cockman	
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Proceedings of July 10-11 Session

Friday Evening

Bro. Tim McDonald led congregational singing "Victory in Jesus". Prayer was led by Bro. Ray Brannon. Following another congregational song, "Joy Unspeakable", Bro. Tim read and commented on Revelation 5 9. The scripture reading was followed by prayer.

Special singing was by Sis. Carol Sexton "ELshadiah" and by Bro. Dewayne Ford, "When He Was on The Cross", and "I'd Rather Have Jesus".

The evening message was by Bro. Glynn Campbell. Bro. Glynn used Luke 6 46 and Luke 6 20 for his text.

The invitational song was "Just As I Am".

Dismissal prayer was by Bro. Sam Rogers.

Saturday Morning

Bro. O.D. Winfrey opened meeting due to the absence of Moderator, Bro. Jim Mullen. Bro. Mullen had left the Association to take a church in Indiana.

Bro. Larry Cockman led the opening singing, "Lily of the Valley" and "Redeemed".

Scripture was read by Bro. Tim McDonald from Revelation 22 17. He followed the reading of scriptures with prayer.

Bro. Nelbert Rickey gave the morning devotional from James 4 17.

The welcome was given by Bro. Roger Richey.

Response was given by Bro. Dewey Thompson.

At this time the Presbytery Board was dismissed to conduct their business.

Delegates were seated by motion. Due to the absence of a moderator, the floor was opened at this time for nominations. Bro. O.D. Winfrey was elected Moderator for 1987-88 and Bro. Larry Hughes was elected Assistant Moderator.

Visitors were recognized at this time. Bro. Ernie Deeds was visiting on leave from Brazil.

The morning offering was designated to the Deeds account.

The following reports were read and accepted at this time. Home Missions, Scholarship, SS/CTS, Women's Auxiliary, and Obituary. (SEE REPORTS) Following the Obituary Report there was a moment of silent prayer in memory of the deceased. Bro. J.W. Russell closed the prayer.

Officers for 1987-88 were elected at this time.

Previously elected as Moderator	Rev. O.D. Winfrey
Previously elected as Asst. Moderator	Rev. Larry D. Hughes
Clerk	Bernadine Privett
Asst. Clerk	Estalene Winfrey
Presbytery Board 1990 Term	Rev. Tim McDonald
Executive Board/Program Committee	
1988 Term	
1992 Term	Rev. Alvie Richmond
Home Mission Board 1992 Term	Rev. James Gosha
Women's Auxiliary 1992 Term	Sis. Imogene Carter
Scholarship Committee 1988 Term	Rev. Joe McDonald

Scholarship Committee 1990 Term.....Bro. Jim Williams Resolutions Committee 1988 Term.....Rev. Larry Cockman Resolutions Committee 1990 TermRev. Jeral Dean

Following the election of officers, the meeting places were designated for the coming year.

October 9-10, 1987	Elnora
January 8-9, 1988	
April 8-9, 1988	•
July 8-9, 1988	

At this time delegates to the State Meeting were elected. Sis. Mary Pope, Bro. John Lee Pope, Sis. Velia Russell, Sis. Estalene Winfrey, Sis. Mary Lou Shelton.

Motion was made and carried to pay this year, as in the past, the \$10 fee to the church hosting the annual meeting. However, this is to be deleted in the future.

Bro. Tim McDonald spoke concerning Bro. Donnie McDonald, Missionary to Japan. Special prayer request - for people of the North to receive them well and for their endurance.

Bro. Ernie Deeds reported on his work in Brazil. They have been serving in Brazil for 24 years. Special prayer requests from Bro. Deeds were -- more souls to be saved, more Brazilian Pastors, more Free Will Baptist workers to be sent and also for the Brazilian economy.

Bro. Larry Hughes reported that "Pass the Torch" is doing well. This campaign is to help reduce the cost of tuition at Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville.

Dismissed for intermission with prayer.

The meeting resumed with singing, "I Heard an Old, Old Story". Opening prayer was by Bro. Jim Clark.

Presbytery Report was read and accepted. (SEE REPORTS). The Program Committee Report was also given at this time and accepted. (SEE REPORTS). Bro. Jim Stovall was scheduled as an alternate and he advised he would not be available to speak at the meeting in October. Bro. Graddy Linebaugh was elected to replace him as alternate.

Motion carried to increase the clerk's salary from \$75.00 to \$100.00 per meeting.

The offering was taken in the amount of \$187.38.

The Resolutions Committee Report was read and accepted (SEE REPORTS).

Bro. and Sis. Alvie Richmond sang "Pity the Man".

Bro. David Williford brought the morning message from Matthew 8:18-22.

Bro. David gave a very challenging message on Total Committment.

The invitation was given as "Just As I Am" was sung.

Meeting was adjourned and blessing on the noon meal with prayer by Bro. Jeral Dean.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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S.S./C.T.S. REPORT

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According to information contained in the letters of 29 churches reporting; we have 26 active Sunday Schools. There are 11 churches involved in an active C.T.S.

Program. Total S.S. enrollment 1812 Total C.T.S. enrollment 622

REPORT PREPARED BY CLERK

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

Of 29 churches reporting 15 are involved in active Auxiliary work. Total membership is 206. REPORT PREPARED BY CLERK

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

To the Social Band Association meeting at First Free Will Baptist Church Jonesboro, Arkansas. The scholarship committee would like to report that there were no disbursements made during the past quarter. Balance in the account: \$45.24.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: Jim Williams, Larry Hughes, J.W. Duff

PRESBYTERY BOARD REPORT

We the Presbytery Board have examined Bro. Tim Campbell, who has been under license by this Association for the past year, and having found him sound in faith and doctrine do recommend he be set apart to the office of minister by prayer and the laying on of hands, according to the practice of the Free Will Baptist Denomination.

PRESBYTERY BOARD:

O.D. Winfrey, J.W. Blanks, Samuel O. Rogers

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

Fiscal Report: July 1, 1986 -- July 1, 1987

Amount brought forward July 1, 1986

.....\$1,236.51

Received:	
Grandview	
Pruett Chapel	
Thorn Grove	
Poplar Valley	
Paragould	
TOTĂL RECEIVED	

TOTAL IN ACCOUNT	•••••	 	51,480.57
Continued	•	•	

Paid out:	
To Eastvale F.W.B. Church (Blytheville)	\$1.400.00
BALANCE	

OBITUARY REPORT

During the past year God saw fit to call from our midst the following:

DECEASED Perry O'Dell **Cratie Forehand** Almus Crider Juanita Linebaugh Minnie Jeffery **Dora Badgett** Carl Cody Inez Bibb **Curtis Williams** Lorene Hodges

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CHURCH Alice Brooks Clear Lake Coffman Coffman Coffman Grandview Harmony New Bethel Northside Northside

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Mildred Evans Graddy Taylor Leonard Sharp Ora Monroe Jessie Hudson Earl McEntire

Old Reyno Old Reyno

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REPORT PREPARED BY CLERK

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Resolve that we add \$5.00 to the dues each church pays each quarter; the

proceeds of which is to go to the church hosting that Quarterly Meeting.

Resolve that we give the Host Church a rising vote of thanks for the gracious hospitality shown the Social Band Association during this annual meeting. Jeral D. Dean Tim McDonald

PROGRAM COMMITTEE PROGRAM FOR THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS ELNORA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

October 9-10, 1987

Friday Evening

7:30 Singing, Scripture, Prayer
7:45 Special Singing, Host Church
8:00 Message Bro. Joe Barnett
Alternate Bro. Graddy Linebaugh

Saturday Morning

9:00 Singing, Scripture, Prayer 9:15 Devotional Bro. Gene Carter

9:25 Welcome Bro. Rickey Davis Response Bro. Tim McDonald
9:30 Seating of Delegates, Recognition of Visitors, Business Session
10:45 INTERMISSION
11:00 WORSHIP Message Bro. Larry Cockman

Alternate Bro. J.W. Russell 12:00 LUNCH

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Social Band Association of Free Will Baptists FINANCIAL REPORT

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Check		Receipts	DISBURSEMENTS			
No.	Date	Deposit to Pocahontas	Paid To	Amount	Balance	
		Federal S & L: \$564.46			\$546.46	
93	9/24/86		U.S. Post Office	\$19.71	\$544.75	
94	9/25/86	{ }	Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$75.00	\$469.75	
95	10/2/86		Jones Office Supply	\$10.00	\$459.64	
96	10/9/86	1	Forrest Office Machines	\$364.00	\$95.64	
		\$520.00	romest office machines	\$304.00	\$615.64	
97	10/22/86	4520.00	Scholarship Fund	\$15.00	•	
98	10/22/86		Ark. F.W.B.		\$600.64	
99	10/22/86	the second of the	Home Missions	\$35.00	\$565.64	
100	10/22/86			\$45.00	\$520.64	
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101	10/22/80		Bernadine Privett	\$3.84	\$366.80	
102	10/22/86	{ {	(Reimburse for long distance)	05.40	\$2C1 22	
102	1/2/87		U.S. Post Office	\$5.48	\$361.32	
105	1/2/0/		Bernadine Privett	\$75.00	\$286.32	
104	1/2/87		(Clerk Hire) Wal-Mart		\$374 CT	
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105	1/2/87		U.S. Post Office	\$19.71	\$354 OF	
		\$575.00		\$19.71	\$254.96	
106	1/10/87	\$575.00	Rev. Sam Rogers	6005 00	\$829.96	
	1, 10, 0,		Rev. Sam Rogers	\$285.00	\$544.96	
107	2/11/87	\$85.00			\$629.96	
1	3/24/87		Ark. F.W.B.	\$120.00	\$509.96	
108			Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$75.00	\$434.96	
109	3/24/87		Wal-Mart (Supplies)	\$5.77	\$429.19	
110	3/25/87		U.S. Post Office	\$21.54	\$407.65	
111	3/26/87		Forrest Office Machines	\$57.75	\$349.90	
112	3/26/87		Vonda Bailey (Typesetting Minutes)	\$30.00	\$319.90	
113	3/26/87		Ozark Journal (Minutes)	\$129.93	\$189.97	
- 114]	4/3/87		Social Band Home Missions	\$10.00	\$179.97	
115	4/10/87		Old Reyno F.W.B. Church	\$39.88	\$140.09	
1			(Reimbursement for cards)	437.00	\$140.03	
1		\$545.35		l i	\$685.44	
116	4/15/87		Social Band Home Missions	*\$67.06	\$618.38	
117	4/15/87		Ark. F.W.B.	\$55.00	\$563.38	
118	4/15/87		Social Band (Scholarship Fund)	\$15.00	\$548.38	
119	4/15/87		New Bethel	\$198.29	\$350.09	
120	4/21/87	1. 1	Bernadine Privett (Reimbursement	\$6.34	\$343.75	
			for postage & long distance OctApril)		⋓┙┱┛╻┍┙	
121	5/22/87	1	Jones Office Supply	\$62.18	\$281.57	
	.		(Typewriter repair)			
122	6/15/87	1	Wal-Mart (envelopes)	\$4.49	\$277.08	
123	6/16/87		U.S. Post Office	\$20.32	\$256.76	
124	7/8/87	} <u>}</u>	Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$75.00	\$181.76	
125	7/13/87		Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$25.00	\$156.76	
		\$1,777.38			\$1,934.14	
126	7/28/87		U.S. Post Office	\$1.64	\$1,932.50	
127	7/28/87		Ark. F.W.B.	\$1,222.38	\$710.12	
128	7/29/87		Social Band Scholarship	\$1,222.38	\$695.12	
129	7/29/87	\$ [·] \$	Social Band Home Mission			
130	8/27/87	1 1	Jonesboro First F.W.B.	\$15.00	\$680.12	
		ş i	(Host Church)	\$290.00	\$390.12	
	8/27/87		Ozark Journal	\$129.23	\$260.89	
131	-	I [Jones Office Supplies	-		
_	8/28/87			<u> </u>		
131 132	8/28/87 8/28/87	\$55.00	Jones Office Supplies	\$6.14	\$254.75 \$309.75	

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CHURCHES	Membership				s	CTS	WA	MM	Ord.	Lic.	Ord.	FEES	
	Total	Rec.	Dis.	Dec.	Bap.	EN	EN	EN	EN	Min.	Min.	Dec.	
Alice Brooks	126	13	3	1	11	80	45	12	12	1	0	1	55.00
Arbor Grove	110	4	4	0	0	126	0	0	0	1	1	0	55.00
Clear Lake	10	0	0	1	0	20	0	0	0	1	0	1	55.00
Coffman	33	0	4	3	0	35	25	0	0	2	0	3	55.00
Corning 1st	46	0	0	0	0	46	0	0	0	1	0	0	55.00
Eastvale	27	8	1	0	0	22	20	0	0	1	0	2	55.00
Elnora	140	7	3	0	3	0	0	13	0	1	0	4	55.00
Faith Corning	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	y 12 0	0	2	55.00
Faith Jonesboro	···· 81	4	0	0	0	81	81	13	10	0	0	2	55.00
Grandview	52	0	1	0	0	31	20	0		- 0	0	0	55.00
Harmony	44	9	2	1	5	52	0	13	0	1	0	2	55.00
Jonesboro 1st	· 187	0	0	0	0	114	43	14	6	2	0	5	55.00
Mountain Home	50	6	· 0	0	5	75	35	13	0	1	0	0	55.00
New Bethel	17	7	0	1	3	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	55.00
Northside	136	9	0	2	2	70	0	0	0	2	0	2	55.00
O'Kean	90	5	0	3	5	70	55	15	0	1	0	1	55.00
Oak Grove	72	8	0	0	6	57	0	10	0	1	1	4	55.00
Old Reyno	183	Ō	0	2	0	130	60	10	9	2	0	4	55.00
Paragould	41	4	0	0	2	62	0	14	12	4	0	2	55.00
Pioneer	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	2	0	1	55.00
Pocahontas	205	Õ	6	4	r O	130	75	25	0	1	0	1	55.00
Poplar Valley	75	3	0	1	3	90	44	0	0	-1	0	1	55.00
Pruett Chapel	39	Ō	0	1	1	39	39	0	0	1	0	1	55.00
Rickey Chapel	45	0 0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	1	0	1	55.00
Stony Point	12	0 0	0	0		35	0	Ō	0	1	0	0	55.00
Sutton	262	4	Õ	0	3	125	0	22	8	2	0	6	55.00
Thorn Grove	25	2	Õ	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	55.00
Walnut Ridge	198	10	70	6	4	215	80	19	0	1	0	1	55.00
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Church Covenant

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self denial faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the Knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Rules of Order

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with prayer.

2. Those who speak shall rise, address the moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided.

3. All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at anytime by a majority of the members of the Association.

4. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.

5. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless ordered at the time.

6. No one shall speak more than once on the same object without special leave from the body.

7. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

8. No member shall absent himself without leave of the moderator.

9. Arrangements shall be made as to insure two sermons or other devotional

exercises equivalent thereto, in addition to the business session each day, and the moderator announces at the adjournment of each business session who is to have charge of said service.

10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

Articles of Faith

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

3. Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.

6. The Sinfulness of Man. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.

7. The Work of Christ. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of Salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become his elect.

10. Freedom of the Will. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. Gospel Ordinances. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet Washing, an ordinance teaching humility, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament: Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16:2a).

15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.

16. Resurrection, Judgement, and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Constitution

1. This Association, when properly organized, shall consist of a moderator and a clerk, who shall be chosen by the sufferage of the members present. The duty of the moderator shall be to keep the Association in order, state questions fairly and take the vote thereon; to have the liberty of speech as other members, provided his seat is filled; to have no vote unless the Association be equally divided, in which case he shall have the deciding vote. The duty of the clerk shall be to keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Association.

2. The Association shall be composed of ordained ministers, deacons, their

wives who are members, church clerks, and licentates together with the messengers duly chosen by the several churches in our union and sent to represent them in this Association, who the members judge best qualified for the purpose, who on producing letters certifying to their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

3. In the letters from the several churches shall be expressed their respective number of members in fellowship, and the number received, dismissed, excluded or died since the last sitting of the Association, and day of church meeting.

4. No query shall be received by the Association from any church unless it has been acted on in said church and cannot be settled, in which case the Association shall take same and act upon it.

5. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to a representative of messengers, not exceeding five.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be acted upon unless withdrawn by the mover.

7. The Association shall not have the power to lord over God's heritage so as to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches; nevertheless we agree that churches composing the Association shall stand in the same relationship to each other in this Association that individuals do to each other in the church; that is to say, if a church trespass against a sister church, the church shall try to reclaim them by Gospel steps; if they cannot be reclaimed, they shall be dropped from our union.

8. We agree to do business by a majority of all members present.

9. Any church may be admitted into this Association by letter and messengers. If upon examination it is found to be orthodox and orderly, such admission shall be manifested by the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship to the messengers thereof.

10. This Association shall have power to sit as advisory council to give churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause why churches neglect to represent themselves in the Association; to appoint members, by and with his or her consent to transact any business they may deem necessary; to invite brethren in the ministry to a seat with the Association; to adjourn the Association at any time and place that may be thought necessary; to exclude from his seat any member who does not conform to the rules of decorum, and shall report his or their conduct to the church from which he or they were messengers.

11. All resolutions of this body will cease to be in force at the close of the annual session each year unless they are renewed at that session.

12. This Association possesses appelate jurisdiction in all cases of difficulty that may arise in the churches.

13. The Lord's Supper and feet washing shall at the option of the host church be administered at the annual session of the Association.

14. Each annual Association shall be held on Friday morning before the second Sunday in July.

15. This Constitution may be changed at any regular session of the Association by two-thirds majority provided the intended change be announced in writing one day before the vote.

16. No person shall hold two offices or positions on standing boards at the same time in the Association. No person may serve more than two consecutive terms in any office, and no person shall succeed himself on a standing board. AMENDMENT: No person may serve more than two consecutive terms in any office, except Associational Clerk, and no person shall succeed himself on a standing board.

17. AMENDMENT to #14. Each annual Association shall be held Friday evening and Saturday morning before the second Sunday in July.

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