

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION**  
**OF**  
**FREE WILL BAPISTS**  
**MEETING AT THE**  
**JONESBORO FAITH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**JULY 12, 1997**

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Next Quarterly Meeting Will Convene  
At The Mountain Home First Free Will Baptist Church  
October 11, 1997

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## OFFICERS - 1997-1998

### OFFICERS

Moderator—Rev. Dale Blackwell (term expires 1999)  
Assistant Moderator—Rev. David Outlaw  
Clerk—Janet Gandy  
Assistant Clerk—Shirley Smith

### EXAMINING BOARD

Rev. Lowell Graham—Term expires 2002  
Rev. Leo Martin—Term expires 2001  
Rev. Nelson Henderson—Term expires 2000  
Rev. Steve Trail—Term expires 1999  
Rev. J.W. Russell—Term expires 1998

### EXECUTIVE BOARD/PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Rev. Gene Cullum—Term expires 2002  
Rev. Tim Morgan—Term expires 2001  
Bro. Darrell Walker—Term expires 2000  
Rev. Kenneth Winningham—Term expires 1999  
Rev. Kerry Gandy—Term expires 1998

### WOMAN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Shirley Smith—Term expires 2002  
Judy Trail—Term expires 2001  
Sherylyn Blackwell—Term expires 2000  
Ann Ponder—Term expires 1999  
Yvon Phillips—Term expires 1998

### SPINK'S MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Ron McCoy—Term expires 2002  
C.L. Dawson—Term expires 2001  
Rev. Tim Morgan—Term expires 2000  
Rev. David Outlaw—Term expires 1999  
Rev. Stan Gray—Term expires 1998

### YOUTH COMMITTEE

Tere Turner—Term expires 2002  
Rev. Alvin Lewis—Term expires 2001  
Bro. Don Alls—Term expires 2000  
Sis. Brenda Alls—Term expires 1999  
Sis Phyllis Curtis—Term expires 1998

### HARVEST CRUSADE COMMITTEE

Rev. Melvin Shelton—Term expires 2002  
Rev. Jeral Dean—Term expires 2001  
Rev. Leo Martin—Term expires 2000  
Rev. Nelson Henderson—Term expires 1999  
Rev. Steve Trail—Term expires 1998

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

OPEN WITH PRAYER

SONG

SCRIPTURE READING-----REV. DALE BLACKWELL, UNITED

DEVOTION-----REV. LOWELL GRAHAM, COFFMAN

WELCOME

RESPONSE

SEATING OF DELEGATES

SEATED

STANDING

VISITORS

BUSINESS SESSION BEGINS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

OBITUARY REPORT

PRAYER

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

HARVEST CRUSADE COMMITTEE REPORT

YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT

EXAMINING BOARD REPORT

INTERMISSION

SONG

WOMAN'S AUXILARY REPORT

SPINKS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

OFFERING

BUSINESS SESSION ENDS

WORSHIP HOUR BEGINS

SONG

SPECIAL SINGING

MESSAGE-----REV. CARL CHESHIER

ALTERNATE SPEAKER-----

*Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting  
Held at the  
Jonesboro Faith Free Will Baptist Church*

*Saturday Morning, July 12, 1997*

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Rev. Dale Blackwell from United in Walnut Ridge.

Rev. Leo Martin from Old Reyno, led the congregation in song by singing "When We All Get To Heaven". Sis Wilma Williams accompanied on the piano and Sis. Jeneice Dulaney on the organ.

Rev. Dale Blackwell from United gave the Scripture reading. His text was taken from Proverbs 16.

Rev. Lowell Graham from Coffman led in prayer.

Rev. Stan Gray from Pioneer gave the devotion. His text "Leaders Setting The Example, And Being Faithful" was taken from Acts 3:1-8, Philipians 17:3. He then led in prayer.

A motion was made and seconded to remove constitutional change from off the table. The motion carried.

Committees were appointed at this time. They are:

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: Rev. Paul Bean, chairman; Rev. Lowell Graham; Rev. Jarvis Reed.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE: Bro. Carmon Rushing, chairman; Rev. Clinton Holder; Bro. Don Alls.

Rev. Leo Martin from Old Reyno led the congregation singing "Won't It Be Wonderful There".

Rev. Kenneth Winningham from Jonesboro Faith gave a heart-felt welcome to the body.

Rev. Dale Blackwell from United gave the response.

Business session began by the seating of the delegates. The seated delegates numbered 39 and the standing numbered 51 for a total of 90 voting delegates.

Visitors were recognized at this time. Rev. Jack Taylor from Free Will Baptist Children's Home in Nashville Tennessee came to speak to the body. Bro. Taylor requested prayer for two staff members who had cancer. Also Rev. Mike Kirby, the new pastor from Mountain Home First was recognized as a visitor.

A motion was made and seconded to table the constitutional change. The motion carried.

The constitutional change is as follows:

ARTICLE IV

FINANCES:

Section 3. Each member church shall send \$50.00 to the yearly meeting of this association to be sent to the Arkansas State Association to pay yearly representation fees, minutes fees, and National Association fees. Each member church shall send \$50.00 (quarterly), or 10% of Co-op (monthly). *In the event any church does not pay its fees for one year; the delegates, deacons, and ministers of that church shall not be seated at the annual meeting.*

Reports were given at this time.



## **BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **OBITUARY REPORT**

During the past year (19) members of the Social Band Association have been called home. They are:

ARBOR GROVE.....	Mable Baker
COFFMAN.....	Everett Neece (Deacon)
ELNORA.....	Roy Ford
GRANDVIEW.....	Ona Ray
MOUNTAIN HOME FIRST.....	John Davis
POCAHONTAS FIRST.....	Annabell Donnell
PRUETT CHAPEL.....	Christine Watson; Carl Griffin; Nelsie Bailey
SHARUM.....	Lorene Garner
SUTTON.....	John Sutton; Marie Kuhlman
UNITED.....	Birdie Gibson; Mary McCullison
WALNUT RIDGE 1ST....	Connie Baird; Grace Jones; Bob Twombly; W.P. Turner; Edna Puckett

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried.

The body stood and there was a moment of silent prayer in remembrance of the passing of these saints, then Rev. Kerry Gandy from Sutton led in prayer.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL/CTS REPORT**

( Prepared by Clerk from letters received)

With 25 churches reporting, 25 churches report an active Sunday School program, with a total enrollment of 1,734 people for an average attendance of 69.

Twelve (12) of the 25 reporting churches have a total of 571 people enrolled in CTS, for an average of 48.

A motion was made and seconded to receive the report. The motion carried.

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

The board recommends giving each competitor from Social Band Association \$50.00 to help with expenses to National Youth Conference. There were 11 competitors this year.

A motion was made and seconded to receive recommendation. The motion carried.  
The board recommends giving \$500.00 to the youth fund.

A motion was made and seconded to receive recommendation. The motion carried.  
The board recommends giving \$500.00 to Spinks Memorial.

A motion was made and seconded to receive recommendation. The motion carried.  
The board recommends raising the clerks hire to \$150.00.

A motion was made and seconded to receive recommendation. The motion carried.  
The board recommends giving \$100.00 to the Free Will Baptist Children's Home.

A motion was made and seconded to receive recommendation. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to give the offering to the Free Will Baptist Children's Home. The motion carried.

The suggested program for the July Meeting is as follows:

Message-----Rev. Carl Cheshier, Moderator to the National Association of FWB.

Devotion-----Rev. Lowell Graham, Coffman.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried.

### EXAMINING BOARD

The Examining Board met to examine David Ponder to be licensed to preach the Gospel. We find David Ponder to be sound in faith and practice and recommend him to the association.

A motion was made and seconded to receive recommendation. The motion carried.

### YOUTH COMMITTEE

Beginning Balance 7/1/96		\$ 176.30
INCOME		\$1026.00
ALLOTMENT FROM SOCIAL BAND	\$500.00	
CORNING BOWLING PARTY	96.00	
DISTRICT YOUTH COMPETITION	430.00	
		\$1202.30
EXPENSES		981.79
WALMART (FILE FOR PAPERWORK)	\$ 10.60	
WALMART (BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLAST)	84.50	
WALMART "	4.78	
SPEAKERS FOR "	262.50	
DAIRY QUEEN "	34.41	
CORNING LANES (ALLEY RENTAL)	100.00	
JUDGES (COMPETITION )	100.00	
ARKANSAS FWB (COMPETITION FEES)	385.00	
ENDING BALANCE		\$ 220.51

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried

### HARVEST CRUSADE COMMITTEE

There was no report at this time.

### INTERMISSION

Rev. Leo Martin from Old Reyno led the Congregation in song singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder" with Sis. Wilma Williams from Jonesboro Faith on the piano and Sis. Jeneice Dulaney from Jonesboro Faith on the organ.

The delegates for the State were elected at this time. They are: Gilbert Phillips; Shirley Smith; Judy Trail; Sherlyn Blackwell; and Deanna Lewis.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried

A motion was made and seconded to receive the following churches to host the quarterly meetings for the next year. The motion carried. They are:

October 11, 1997-----	Mountain Home First
January 10, 1998-----	Paragould First
April 11, 1998-----	Pocahontas First
July 11, 1998-----	United

### SPINK'S MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee met July 12, 1997. The account balance is \$869.10. We are now accepting applications for the Fall Semester. Rev. Kerry Gandy, Rev. David Outlaw, Rev. Stan Gray, and Bro. Carmon Rushing.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried



## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

There was no report at this time.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

We have checked the financial records of Sis Janet Gandy and find them in order and in balance. The Committee commends Sis. Gandy on her work and the excellent job she continues to do as the Association's Clerk. Bro Carmon Rushing, Rev. Clinton Holder, Bro. Don Alls.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried

## RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The committee recommends the following:

That Bro. Ron Weist be examined for Deacon at the Oct. meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried

That the Executive Board make recommendations for meeting speakers and prepare order of services.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried

The Faith FWB Church be offered thanks and appreciation for hosting the Annual Social Band Association Meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We recommend the following to be elected this year:

Officers: Rev. Dale Blackwell (term expires 1999), moderator; Assistant Moderator, Rev. David Outlaw; Clerk, Janet Gandy; Assistant Clerk, Shirley Smith.

Examining Board: Rev. Lowell Graham

Executive Board: Rev. Gene Cullum

Woman's Auxiliary: Shirley Smith

Spink's Memorial: Ron McCoy

Youth Committee: Tere Turner

Harvest Crusade: Rev. Melvin Shelton

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried

The business session ended.

The Worship hour began at this time.

Rev. Leo Martin from Old Reyno led the congregation in song with Sis. Wilma Williams on the piano and Sis. Jeneice Dulaney on the organ. The congregation sang "Redeemed".

The offering was taken at this time in the amount of \$188.29.

The CTS participants were presented to the Association at this time. They were:

Kevin Turner	Lance Williams	Meagan Gandy
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Jessica Smith	Buddy Gandy	Lindsey Bailey
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Amanda Turner	Rusty Amos	Laura Williams
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Kelsey Gandy	Emma Amos	
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Bro. Frank Martin from Jonesboro Faith gave the special music. He sang "There Is A River".

Rev. Dale Blackwell from United, came and spoke the Word of God to the body at this time. His text "Religious People Can Be Bound For Hell" was taken from Matthew 7:21-23.

Announcements were made at this time.

Standing vote of thanks was given to the host church for their gracious hospitality. Rev. David Outlaw, Assistant Moderator led in prayer and asked the blessing on the noon meal which was prepared by the host church.

<b>ORDAINED MINISTERS OF SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS</b>	<b><u>JONESBORO FIRST</u></b> Rev. Tim Morgan 700 Shadow Ridge Jonesboro, 72401 Phone: 932-6626	P.O. Box 86 Pocahontas 72455 Phone: 892-4203	Thayer, MO 65791 Phone: 417-264-2339	Phone: 935-4182  Rev. David Blackwell 1906 W. Matthews Ave. Apt. F5 Jonesboro, AR. 72401 Phone: 931-5922
<b><u>ARBOR GROVE</u></b> Rev. David Outlaw 421 NW Lawrence Hoxie, AR 72433 Phone: 886-9420	<b><u>MT. HOME FIRST</u></b> Rev. Mike Kirby 1304 E. 9th St Mt. Home, 72653 Phone: 425-7926	Wal Ridge, 72476 Phone: 886-6184	<b><u>OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS</u></b>  Rev. J.W. Blanks 1421 Brandon Blytheville, AR 72315 Phone: 763-5598	Rev. Dewey Thompson 2304 Bettis Pocahontas, AR 72455 Phone: 892-5434
<b><u>CLEAR LAKE</u></b> Rev. Joe Barnett 449 Nellie Joe Lane Pocahontas, 72455 Phone: 647-2148	<b><u>NEW COVENANT</u></b> Bro. William Richmond 1514 Thomasville Pocahontas, 72455 Phone: 892-8855	<b><u>RICKEY CHAPEL</u></b> Rev. Andrew Crockett Rt. 1 P.O. Box 62 Wal Ridge, 72476 Phone: 573-6490	Rev. Leroy Scudder Rt. 1, Box 299X Walnut Ridge, AR 72476 Phone: 886-1557	Rev. Bernard Roberts P.O. Box 4071 Horseshoe Bend, AR. 72512 Phone: 670-4649
<b><u>COFFMAN</u></b> Lowell Graham 410 E. Poplar Wal Ridge 72476 Phone: 886-9707	<b><u>NORTHSIDE</u></b> Rev. Melvin Shelton 1313 Witt St. Pocahontas, 72455 Phone: 892-9306	<b><u>SHARUM</u></b> Rev. Gene Cullum P.O. Box 184 O'Kean, AR 72449 Phone: 892-8215	Rev. Glen Campbell 1312 Witt St. Pocahontas, AR 72455 Phone: 892-8313	Rev. Jim Surles 1300 Hwy 166 West Pocahontas, AR. 72455 Phone: 892-9318
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<b><u>EASTVALE</u></b> NO PASTOR	<b><u>OLD REYNO</u></b> Rev. Leo Martin P.O. Box 152 Reyno, Ar. 72462 Phone: 769-2269	<b><u>UNITED</u></b> Rev. Dale Blackwell 5805 South Wick Jonesboro, 72401 Phone: 932-6195	Rev. Grady Linebough 2400 Stallings Lane Jonesboro, AR 72401 Phone: 932-9727	
<b><u>ELNORA</u></b> Rev. Jeral Dean Box 82 O'Kean, AR 72449 Phone: 892-9228	<b><u>PARAGOULD</u></b> NO PASTOR	<b><u>WALNUT RIDGE FIRST</u></b> Rev. Steve Trail P.O. Box 401 Wal Ridge, 72476 Phone: 886-3878	Rev. L.D. Johnson 1602 Tonya Dr. Jonesboro, AR. 72401 Phone: 972-5483	<b><u>LICENSED MINISTERS</u></b>
<b><u>FAITH JONESBORO</u></b> Rev. Kenneth Winningham 2601 Minx Lane Jonesboro, 72401 Phone: 931-0915	<b><u>PIONEER</u></b> Rev. Stan Gray HCR 67 Box 464 Ash Flat, 72513 Phone: 994-7312	<b><u>WARM SPRINGS</u></b> Rev. Wayne Cloven Rt. 2 Box 2136	Rev. Jess Pratt 1347 Medallion Dr. Jonesboro, AR. 72401	
<b><u>GRANDVIEW</u></b> NO PASTOR	<b><u>POCAHONTAS FIRST</u></b> Rev. Nelson Henderson			



# 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 Savior 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; not 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 any time 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 Savior 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 Savior 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, and 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" (I Cor. 16:2a).

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

16. Resurrection, Judgment, 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 OF THE SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS (ADOPTED JULY 13, 1991 AT THE ALICE BROOKS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH)**

**PREAMBLE:** From long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist Churches of this area, having been baptized by immersion upon a profession of faith in Christ as Savior and Lord, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among our churches; do, for the purpose of coordinating our efforts for the extension of the Kingdom of God, ordain this constitution for the betterment of our association's government.

### **ARTICLE I**

**NAME:** This organization shall be called the Social Band Association of Free Will Baptists and it shall be affiliated with the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists, which is a member of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

### **ARTICLE II**

**PURPOSE:** The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the various churches composing this association and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God.

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **REPRESENTATION:**

**Section 1.** This association shall be composed of well regulated Free Will Baptist Churches, with Free Will Baptist ministers in good standing with the association, maintaining gospel order, agreeing with the denomination in doctrine and practice, and supporting the various enterprises that have been endorsed by this association and the denomination proper.

**Section 2.** The standing members of this association shall be regularly ordained Free Will Baptist ministers and their wives, deacons and their wives, and church clerks, who are in good standing with their local churches. Also, each church shall be represented by a maximum of 5 delegates from the church.

**Section 3.** In the event that only part of an elected delegation is present from a church, they may fill vacancies with other members present from the said church. Said delegation shall be approved by this body.

**Section 4.** Ministers coming from another association, state, or denomination shall be received upon examination and recommendation of the examining board and the majority vote of this body. Each incoming Minister should have a letter of good standing from their former Association or the promise of a forthcoming letter of good standing from their former Association.

### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **FINANCES:**

**Section 1.** This association recommends that each church belonging to said body give one tenth (10%) of its tithes and offerings to the cooperative plan of support for the financing of state and national programs.

**Section 2.** All monies held by the association shall be kept in the general fund to be disbursed at the wishes of the body.

**Section 3.** Each member church shall send \$50.00 to the yearly meeting of this association to be sent to the Arkansas State Association to pay yearly representation fees, minutes fees, and National Association fees. Each member church shall send \$50.00 (quarterly), or 10 % of Co-op (monthly). *In the event any church does not pay its fees for one year; the delegates, deacons, and ministers of that church shall not be seated at the annual meeting.*

**Section 4.** Changes in the amount of the fees may be changed at any regular meeting of this body, the changes becoming effective at the next session of the body, provided the member churches are notified of the changes.

### **ARTICLE V**

#### **OFFICERS:**

**Section 1.** The officers of this association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator (Parliamentarian), Clerk, and Assistant Clerk. These officers shall be elected annually at the close of the business period. The election of Moderator is limited to four consecutive terms.



Section 2. The clerk shall be paid for his/her work, with the amount to be set by this body. The duties of the clerk shall be: (1) Present a digest of reports to the association consisting of the names of unreported churches, names of delegates, any petitioner letters or general correspondence directed to the association, and any miscellaneous item deemed necessary by the clerk. (2) Take minutes of all meetings of the association. (3) Serve as Treasurer of the association. (4) Carry on necessary correspondence with churches and denominational agencies.

## ARTICLE VI

### BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

Section 1. The standing boards of this association shall be the Executive Board and the Examining Board. The committees of this association shall be appointed by the moderator or by the body (as the need warrants).

Section 2. Each of the boards and committees shall be composed of five (5) members who are elected by this association, according to an arrangement whereby each member has a term of office for 5 years, and their terms are arranged so that they expire one per year. No member of the standing boards or committees shall succeed himself in office having served a full five-year term.

Section 3. All boards and committees are to organize when elected or appointed. They shall have a Chairman, Assistant Chairman, and Secretary. Each board or committee shall keep a written record of each meeting and shall make a written report to this body of its work and activities.

Section 4. The Executive Board is delegated the power to act in behalf of and for the Social Band Association when it is not in session. It shall have the power to fill vacancies that may occur on the standing boards or offices of this association. This board shall be responsible for all legal matters that might claim the attention of this body. The discipline of all ordained persons in the Social Band Association shall be the responsibility of the Examining Board. The Examining Board shall adhere to the following procedures in dealing with the discipline of ordained persons:

A. The Examining Board shall follow the Treatise of the Faith and Practice of Free Will Baptist, Chapter II, Sections 1, 2, & 3 as the basis for any discipline of an ordained person.

B. The Examining Board shall seek to restore the ordained person according to Matthew 18:15-17.

*15 Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.*

*16 But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.*

*17 And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican.*

C. Any discipline recommendations shall be by majority vote of the Examining Board. A quorum shall consist of at least four members. (I Timothy 5:19)

*19 Against an elder receive not an accusation, but before two or three witnesses.*

D. The Examining Board shall serve as the Credentials Committee when the Social Band Association is in session.

E. All ordained persons receiving credentials shall be recommended by the local church and meet the following standards:

1. Must be an active member of a local Free Will Baptist Church.

2. Must attend at least 1 quarterly meeting per year unless providentially hindered.

3. Active ministers must preach at least one sermon per quarter or report the cause.

4. Questions concerning ministerial qualifications shall be referred to the Credentials Committee by the local church.

Section 5. The Examining Board shall examine all candidates (Ministers and Deacons) at the request of the local church. All licensed ministers and deacon candidates seeking ordination shall be given a written examination with the questionnaire being furnished by the board. Ministers coming from other associations, states, or denominations shall be examined by this board at the request of the local church. They should also have a letter of good standing from the association they are coming from.

## ARTICLE VII

MEETINGS: This association shall meet quarterly at such a time and place as shall be decided upon by the body.

## ARTICLE VIII

RULES FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS: Robert's Rules of Order shall be used as a guide in all business transactions and parliamentary law.

## ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the Social Band Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present, provided proposed amendments or alterations be presented in writing to the body by 10:00 A.M., and these may be voted on after 12:00 noon.

## ARTICLE X

DISCIPLINE: This association shall set only in an advisory capacity. Should there arise in the local church any question on Doctrine, Practice, or Discipline, the Bible and the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptist shall be considered the final authority. This body, when in session, may, by majority vote of members present, withdraw the hand of fellowship from said church or churches until such a time as they have set their house in order.

NOTE: This constitution, should it be adopted, shall go into effect immediately upon its acceptance by the Social Band Association.



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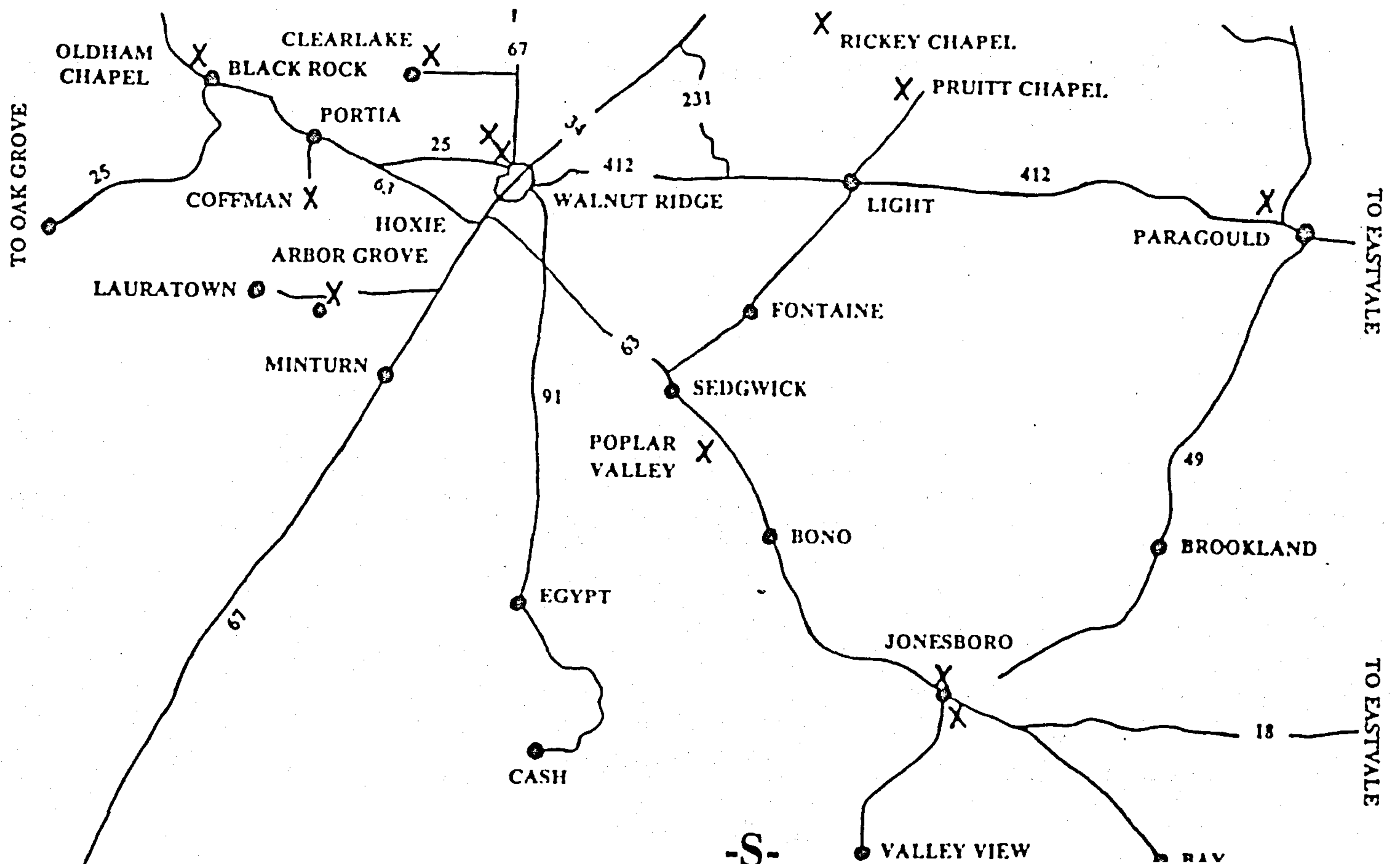
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	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Check	Date	Receipts	Disbursements		Balance
2	No.			Paid To	Amount	
3				BALANCE (\$4568.30-Harvest;		\$4,568.30
4				\$2187.29-General \$2381.01)		
5			\$179.27	DEPOSIT (Gen.)		
6			\$2,450.00	DEPOSIT (Gen.)		
7	335			U.S. Post Office (postage)	\$27.50	
8	336			James Forlines (hotel for Walkers	\$63.51	
9	337			Children's Home	\$400.00	
10	338			O'Kean (Host meeting)	\$125.00	
11	339			Dale Blackwell (postage)	\$15.60	
12	340			Social Band Youth Acct.	\$500.00	
13	341			Rachael Henderson (CTS)	\$50.00	
14	342			Sutton CTS	\$300.00	
15				(\$3528.68-Gen \$2187.29 Harvest)		\$6,115.96
16	343			Arkansas State Association (dues	\$1,250.00	
17	344			ACTS 1:8	\$1,800.00	
18	345			Clerk hire (one year)	\$400.00	
19	346			U.S. Post Office (postage)	\$33.47	
20				(\$45.21-Gen; \$2187.29-Harvest)		\$2,232.49
21	347			Minutes	\$348.00	
22	348			Walmart (envelopes)	\$9.57	
23	349			H.C. postage	\$12.65	
24	350			Ozark Journal	\$377.60	\$2,305.54
25	351			U.S. Post Office (postage)	\$63.00	
26						\$1,421.67
27			\$1,269.10	Deposit (Scholarship from Savings)		
28			\$325.19	Deposit (Sun. H.C.)		
29			\$256.18	Deposit (Mon. H.C.)		
30			\$240.32	Deposit (Tue. H.C.)		
31			\$339.32	Deposit (Wed. H.C.)		
32			\$1,200.00	Deposit (letters)		
33			\$81.88	Deposit (offering)		
34	352			Times Dispatch (H.C.)	\$68.67	
35	353			Pizza Den (H.C.)	\$143.00	
36	354			Holiday Inn (H.C.)	\$284.52	
37	355			Rev. Levan Hubbard (H.C.)	\$100.00	
38	356			Superintendent's Office (H.C.)	\$250.00	
39	357			VOID		
40	358			Dr. Tom Malone (H.C.)	\$750.00	
41	359			Jonesboro 1st. (host meeting)	\$125.00	
42				(\$403.91-Gen;\$1739.46-H.C		
43				\$1269.10 Spinks)		\$3,412.97
44	360			VOID		
45	361			Hillsdale (Kristie Williams)	\$250.00	
46	362			VOID		
47	363			H.C. (postage)	\$37.50	
48				(\$403.91-Gen; \$1701.96-H.C.		
49				\$1019.10 Spinks)		\$3,125.47
50	364			General	\$51.50	
51				(\$352.41Gen; \$1701.96-H.C.		
52				\$1019.10 Spinks)		\$3,073.47
53			\$115.40	Deposit (offering)		
54			\$1,250.00	Deposit (Letters)		

	A	B	C	D	E	F
55			\$116.55	Deposit (Sutton Coop)		
56	365			Sutton (Deacon's Certificates)	\$30.00	
57	366			Walnut Ridge Community Center	\$100.00	
58	367			Walnut Ridge 1st (Host meeting)	\$125.00	
59	368			Rev. Dale Blackwell (postage)	\$36.92	
60	369			Harvey Paving fund	\$100.00	
61				(\$1542.94-Gen; \$1601.96-H.C.		
62				\$1019.10- Spinks)		\$4,164.00
63			\$60.00	Deposit (Poc. 1st. Coop)		
64			\$51.63	Deposit (United Coop)		
65			\$74.16	Deposit (Sutton Coop)		
66				(\$1728.73-Gen; \$1601.96-H.C.		
67				\$1019.10-Spinks)		\$4,349.79
68			\$58.00	Deposit (Poc 1st Coop)		
69			\$52.01	Deposit (United Coop)		
70	370			U.S. Post Office	\$27.50	
71				(\$1811.24-Gen; \$1601.96- H.C		
72				\$1019.10- Spinks)		\$4,432.30
73				Deposit (Offering)		
74				Deposit (Letters)		
75	371			Sharum (host Meeting)	\$125.00	
76	372			Rev. Bob Thompson (speaker)	\$250.00	
77				(\$2999.58-Gen;\$1601.96- H.C.		
78				\$1019.10-Spinks)		\$5,020.64
79				Deposit (Sutton \$101.19; Poc\$74.00		
80				United \$59.32)		
81	373			Randall House (CTS Awards)	\$231.00	
82	374			VOID		
83	375			FWBBC (David Ponder	\$250.00	
84				(\$3002.99-Gen; \$1601.16- H.C.		\$5,374.05
85				\$769.10- Spinks)		
86			\$161.08	Deposit (Sutton \$131.08; Faith \$30.00		
87			\$56.00	Deposit (Poc \$56.00)		
88			\$69.90	Deposit (United \$69.90		
89			\$30.00	Deposit (Faith \$30.00		
90	376			U.S. Post Office (Stamps)	\$32.00	
91	377			U.S. Post Office (postage)	\$19.50	
92	378			Walmart (envelopes)	\$9.57	
93				(\$3259.70-Gen; \$1601.16-H.C.		
94				\$769.10- Spinks)		\$5,629.96
95			\$1,954.98	Deposit (		
96			\$289.00	Deposit		
97			\$210.00	Deposit		
98	379			Walmart (contact paper)	\$6.30	
99	380			Faith (host meeting)	\$125.00	
100	381			FWB Children's Home	\$288.29	
101	382			Arkansas State Association	\$1,375.00	
102				(\$3319.09-Gen; \$1601.16-H.C.		
103				\$1369.10-Spinks)		\$6,289.35

	Churches	REC	DIS	DEC	BAP	TOTAL	SS	CTS	WA	MM	DEA	LIC	MIN	FEES
1	ARBOR GROVE	9	0	1	10	80	127	0	6	0	0	0	2	\$105.00
2	CLEAR LAKE	0	0	0	0	11	15	0	0	0	1	0	2	\$50.00
3	COFFMAN	0	1	0	0	35	35	20	0	0	1	0	1	\$105.00
4	EASTVALE	0	0	0	0	56	28	40	4	3	2	0	0	\$105.00
5	ELNORA	0	0	0	0	114	114	0	0	0	3	1	1	\$105.00
6	FAITH JONESBORO	0	0	0	2	196	97	65	17	18	2	0	3	\$165.00
7	FIRST CORNING	0	0	0	0	21	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	\$105.00
8	FIRST JONESBORO	14	0	0	6	130	114	60	15	0	5	0	4	\$272.62
9	FIRST MT. HOME	7	5	1	3	66	70	0	8	0	0	0	1	\$105.00
10	FIRST POCAHONTAS	13	5	1	7	224	150	60	20	0	3	0	1	\$254.00
11	WALNUT RIDGE FIRST	11	12	5	5	229	229	75	12	0	2	0	2	\$105.00
12	GRANDVIEW	0	0	1	0	54	24	15	0	0	0	0	0	\$105.00
13	NEW COVENANT			LETTER NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME										
14	NORTHSIDE	0	0	0	0	140	38	0	0	0	2	2	2	\$105.00
15	O'KEAN	0	0	0	1	39	65	0	9	0	0	0	1	\$105.00
16	OLD REYNO	0	4	0	0	211	80	50	10	0	4	0	1	\$105.00
17	PARAGOULD	0	0	0	3	51	45	0	0	0	2	0	0	\$105.00
18	PIONEER	23	2	0	2	75	63	0	7	0	1	0	2	\$105.00
19	POPULAR VALLEY	0	0	0	0	52	40	20	0	0	1	0	1	\$105.00
20	PRUETT CHAPEL	0	0	3	2	35	25	6	0	0	1	0	0	\$105.00
21	RICKEY CHAPEL	0	0	0	0	39	25	0	0	0	1	1	0	\$105.00
22	SHARUM	5	56	1	7	73	73	0	0	0	2	0	1	\$105.00
23	SUTTON	28	0	2	21	345	172	125	15	6	8	0	3	\$438.41
24	UNITED	16	0	2	4	135	90	35	20	0	0	0	2	\$256.34
25	WARM SPRINGS	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	\$105.00
26														
27	TOTAL	126	85	17	87	2411	1731	571	143	27	43	6	32	\$3,221.37