

MINUTES

MISSIONS CONFERENCE: September 9, 2012

The Union Association met for the Missions Conference at the Woodward Free Will Baptist Church on Sunday, September 9, 2012, at 4:00 p.m.

Brother Allen Mabra, Pastor of the Woodward Church, welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

The congregation sang Come Thou Fount and Jesus Paid it All.

Bro. Brad Ransom, Oklahoma Missions Director, introduced the speaker, Dennis Teague, Missionary to France. Bro. Teague talked about the mission work in France and urged us to remember our calling to win souls for Jesus.

Bro. Brad Ransom gave a report on TSP and the missionaries supported by TSP.

Gammy Botello gave a report on the Hispanic Mission in Woodward.

John Hewitt, Director of Arms of Compassion spoke about his work and planned trip to Uganda.

The service was dismissed in prayer led by Bro. Josh Lee.

The business session was called to order by Bro. Charlie Murphy in the absence of the Moderator and Assistant Moderator. Bro. Gary Kirk led in prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Church letters were read from Antioch, Clinton, Northridge and Woodward churches. Antioch's letter noted that the church was closed in March of 2012. The following delegates plus standing delegates were present:

Clinton:	Kenneth Oliver, Joan Treadaway and Linda Smith
Northridge:	None
Woodward:	Bob Hale, Gary Stambaugh and Erin Hale

Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the church letters and seat the delegates.

The following delegates were named to attend the State meeting:

Woodward:	Belva Mabra
Clinton:	Janie Murphy
Northridge:	Kelly Ross
German:	Josh Lee

It was brought to the attention of the Meeting that according to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Union Association it was necessary to have five members from five different churches present to constitute a quorum. The Union Association now has only four churches so it is necessary that said By-Laws and Constitution be changed and although only two churches were represented at the meeting, due to the emergency nature of this problem, motion was made, seconded and carried that Article V of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

MEETINGS: At least one member from half or more of the churches shall constitute a quorum. A lesser number may adjourn until such a quorum is present.

The moderator shall have the authority to call the association into conference by notifying each church at least ten days in advance of such meeting, and the moderator shall have authority to change the place of a quarterly meeting or yearly meeting if the place previously determined

cannot provide for said meeting. This shall be done by notifying each church, and if possible, at least ten days in advance. A written record shall be kept of all meeting and transactions.

and By-Law #3 be amended to read as follows:

3. At least one member from half or more of the churches shall constitute a quorum. A lesser number may adjourn until such a quorum is present.

The following seated delegates: Kenneth Oliver, Joan Treadaway, Linda Smith, Bob Hale, Gary Stambaugh and Erin Hale, and the following standing delegates: Jeanne Hale, Union Association Clerk, Belva Mabra, Union Association Assistant Clerk, Jane Gaston, Union Association Treasurer, Allen Mabra, Woodward Church Pastor and Union Association Assistant Treasurer, Gary Kirk, Deacon from the Clinton Church, and James Smith, Deacon from the Clinton Church, unanimously approved said amendments.

The Moderator noted that Bro. Allen Mabra had contacted Bro. Stacy Ross from the Northridge Church prior to the meeting and Bro. Ross had no objection to the amendments, and that Bro. Murphy had attempted to contact Bro. Klein from the German Church but had been unable to reach him. It was further noted that these changes should be ratified at the next business meeting.

The Treasurer's report was read. Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the Report.

Sis. Diane Smith gave the CE Board Report stating that the Boiling Springs Camp will be held again in July of 2013 and that Susan Parker has agreed to be the cook and the Board is contacting an evangelist.

There were not enough members present for the Executive Board to meet, however, the following financial recommendations were made:

1. It was recommended that the Association give the sum of \$3,000.00 to TSP and \$1,000.00 to Arms of Compassion. Motion was made, seconded and carried.

Sis. Belva Mabra gave the WNAC Report, noting that the next meeting will be held on the first Saturday in October at Clinton.

Motion was made, seconded and carried to retain all officers from last year, except the Reporter, as follows:

Moderator:	Stacy Ross
Assistant Moderator:	Clarence Shepherd
Clerk:	Jeanne Hale
Assistant Clerk:	Belva Mabra
Treasurer:	Jane Gaston
Assistant Treasurer:	Allen Mabra

Erin Hale was nominated as Reporter, and motion was made, seconded and carried to elect her to said office.

Motion was made, seconded and carried to retain all members of the Executive/Credentials Board, and the new terms are as follows:

Executive/Credentials Board
Clarence Shepherd, 5 years
Charles Murphy, 4 years
Scott Gaston, 3 years
Stacy Ross, 2 years
Allen Mabra, 1 year

It was noted that it is necessary to replace two members of the Missions/Education Board, and upon motion made, seconded and carried, the following were elected to the Missions/Education Board:

Missions/Education Board

Josh Lee, 5 years

Kelly Ross, 4 years

Linda Smith, 3 years

Jordan Wilson, 2 years

Diane Smith, 1 years

A standing vote of thanks was given to the host church. Motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was dismissed in prayer let by Bro. Kenneth Oliver.



Jeanne Hale, Clerk