

West Shore Evangelical Free Church  
Elder Board Meeting Minutes  
December 10, 2019  
7:00 PM

**Attending:**

Dave Baechtle, Dave Balinski, Mark Blanchard, Joel Gordon, Matt Krise, Erik Lindquist, Tony Lucido, Tom Neff, Jeff Niner, Tim Ryan, Nate Shuff, Trent Thompson

**Absent:**

**Call to Order:**

by Mark Blanchard, 7:18 P.M.

**Prayer:**

Mark Blanchard

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion:** *That the minutes of the 11/12/19 Board Meeting be approved as amended*

*(Jeff N / Dave Baechtle 2<sup>nd</sup>)*

**Action:** Approved 12-0 by voice vote

**Sabbatical Report / Ned Davis**

Ned provided a written report to the Elder Board and verbally communicated his appreciation for the sabbatical opportunity. He highlighted the time for reflection and study, along with the opportunity to visit other churches/ministries to meet leadership and observe their operations. Ned noted that he and wife, Janet, desire to prepare the next generation to lead the church.

Dave Balinski and Jeff Niner led the Elder Board in a time of prayer for Ned.

**Surplus Allocation / Tim Ryan and Ned Davis**

Budget Surplus Reallocation Considerations were presented to the Elder Board for discussion and affirmation.

**New Members:** Hans Schreiber, Interviewed by Dave Balinski

**Motion:** *That the above candidate be recommended for membership (Dave Balinski / Mark B 2<sup>nd</sup>)*

**Action:** Approved 12-0 by voice vote

**New Members:** Laurie Hamilton, Interviewed by Joel Gordon

**Motion:** *That the above candidate be recommended for membership (Joel G / Tom N 2<sup>nd</sup>)*

**Action:** Approved 12-0 by voice vote

**New Members:** Andrew and Taylor Caudill, Interviewed by Mark Blanchard

**Motion:** *That the above candidates be recommended for membership (Mark B / Jeff N 2<sup>nd</sup>)*

**Action:** Approved 12-0 by voice vote

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**Team Reports / Team Chairs:**

**Stewardship Team / Matt K:**

The team met Nov 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss the possibility of presenting Financial Peace in the spring of 2020. The team also discussed a Gift Acceptance Policy and a Policy on Investment of Reserves. Proposals will be drafted for future Elder Board consideration.

**Facilities Team / Nate S:**

The team will be meeting in January 2020.

**Human Resources Team / Tony L:**

No report this month.

**Personnel Items / Trent T and Tim R**

**Internship Procedures / Tim R**

Tim presented a written copy of the WSFC Internship Procedure to the Elder Board

**Elder Nominating Committee Report / Matt K and Jeff N**

One candidate has agreed to begin the elder vetting process. The Elder Board prioritized additional nominees for the committee to contact.

**Miscellaneous Updates**

**Feed My Starving Children / Tim R**

Tim reported the Missionary Leadership Team will cover the funding shortfall from the FMSC event by utilizing reserve funds. In the future, financial commitments of this magnitude will be presented to the Elder Board for confirmation.

**Sign Up for Membership Interviews / Mark B**

Mark reminded the Elder Board to sign up for available times on the 2020 Membership Interview Schedule.

**Calendar for 2020 / Mark B**

Mark provided the Elder Board with a 2020 schedule of Business Meetings, Shepherding Meetings, BLT Meetings and Elder Led Prayer dates.

**February Baptism Reminder / Trent T**

Trent reported baptism services will be held February 9, 2020. Elders will be needed for baptism interviews and for assistance with the baptism services.

**Closing Prayer:**

Mark Blanchard

**Adjourned:**

8:37 P.M.

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**Next Meeting:**

Business Meeting (January 7, 2019)  
Shepherding Meeting (January 18, 2020)  
Congregational Meeting (January 26, 2020)  
Business Meeting (February 11, 2020)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joel Gordon