First Baptist Church – Blanco Church Council Meeting MINUTES Sept. 14, 2025 - 12:30 pm, FBC room 305

Council Members:

Alan Deetjen-Adult Education; Chairman Eric Carr-House, Grounds, Improvements Vice Chairperson (Absent) Rene' Daniel; Clerk Rex Bailey-At-Large Diana Blackburn-Missions Carla Clark-Local Missions Monette Harbert-At-Large
Karen Hinson-Hospitality (Absent)
Stephanie Hudson-Children/P-K
(Absent)
Gary Kuzins-Community & Family
David Morgan-Trustees
Adam Painter-Pastor
John Pepper-Personnel
Heinz Roesch-Finance/Treasurer
(Absent)

Michael Smith-Deacons
Abby Weldon-Worship (absent)
Jonathan Weldon-Youth Director
Richard Wesseling-Safety/Security

Judi Hagood-Admin Asst; invited Elaine Troublefield-Media Coordinator; invited (absent)

MEETING MINUTES

Start @ 12:28 am

New Business:

1) Prayer

John Pepper

2) Approval of August meeting Minutes. (Forwarded Wed. 9-10-25).

Motion to approve August meeting minutes with revisions:

Jonathan (1)

Richard (2)

All Minutes accepted by all

3) Membership (Transfer of Letters) - Rene' Daniel

There are no letters of transfer since last council meeting.

Baptisms – I need to get this number and names since July (Stephanie & Gary)

July 13th Confirmed: Larry & Kay Kuebel, Bob & Margart Lee, James & Barbara Shaw & Tina Wilson September 7th - Confirmed: Jimmy Marsden

September 14th - Confirmed: Kyle & Lindsey Sauceda (3 children, 2-8-12), Josh & Chrissy Lake, Matt & Micah Bridges, David & Bertha Silva; Brandon & Corley Chandler

4) Church Treasurer's Report (Finance) - Heinz Roesch

Sent via email – Alan is going over – Review side we are ahead on tithes & offerings

Reminder: Committee members will be receiving their 2025 budgeted items and direction on when and how they want the 2026 budget submitted & line items.

Annual budget is \$710,000.00, however insert reads

Consider changing what it reflects on the Sunday Service Inserts.

5) Implementation of Two Church Services – What is needed at this point?

Richard – why don't we need security, during the Sunday morning transition time.

It was concluded after talking with Pastor and Stephanie, it is not needed as of right now.

6) Discuss proposal from House, G & I regarding playground shade – recommendation to church

Proposal – canopy for the playground, Eric is still working on this.

Table for now due to Eric being out this meeting.

7) Committee Reports (*Please hold reports for 5 minutes or less*)

a) Adult Education - Alan

Flyer available, encompassing classes and groups (handout & on the website)

Sunday morning classes will reflect starting at 9:00 & 11:00, helping with checking in kids. However, they may start at different times, which is given within the Sunday School group.

Childcare during the interim time between services, more volunteers are needed.

Fellowship Hall open for fellowship during the Interim time between services.

How can we fellowship more during this time?

This is going well, and leaders have stepped up.

b) Youth – Jonathan

A good start to the school year.

Kickoff went well, the volunteers, food and small groups.

I am getting integrated into the schools with Gary's help.

We will have 3 weeks off in a row: JV Game 09/24/2025

Homecoming Parade 10/01/2025 Fields of Faith 10/08/2025

Average 85 students on Wednesday plus the volunteers

Youth Sunday School meets at 9:00 am on Sundays.

c) Children's/Preschool - Stephanie

Report given by Adam & Gary

65 averages coming on Wednesday night

1/3 of kids @ 9:00 and 2/3 of kids @ 11:00 – helps ease the pressure on the volunteers.

Always looking for more helpers in this area!!!!

Stephanie takes time for women above and beyond her volunteers. relational building on top of the volunteers.

d) Community & Family - Gary

Excited – hit the ground running.

A lot on his schedule for counseling * families reaching out to him for counseling.

e) Worship - Abby

Per Jonathan – things are going well. Blessed by the volunteers that step up; drop by to helps with kids and just help family as a whole wherever they can.

Family response has been positive, in general and very encouraging.

f) Deacons – Michael

Still working on bringing in new candidates, 3 more to meet and talk to about serving.

g) Hospitality – Karen

Alan asked Eric about using Rhonda expertise about how to use the fellowship between services. Food is good on Wednesdays.

h) House, Grounds & Improvements – Eric

Table until Eric returns

i) Local Missions – Carla

First meeting went well; working towards Light Night.

j) Missions - Diana

Texas Mission Offerings – Mary Hill Davis – Goal is \$5,000.00

Adam worked with Missions speaker for Sept. 28th Sunday Service. Meeting will now be on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.

k) Personnel – John

All positions filled – nothing open & all closed.

We will be meeting to go over finance committee and look at salaries.

I) Safety & Security - Richard

All is going good; we have a few new members and more to come.

m) Trustees - David

No Report; David, not in attendance.

n) Thoughts/Reports – At-Large Members – Monette & Rex

Rex - Is there an actual time to release the kids during the service.

Monette - Bulletin - post when the committees' meetings are scheduled.

Judy & Elaine are working on a monthly newsletter in paper form and on the website

Judy – all going well with me; please let her know if you need anything.

o) Senior Pastor Report - Adam

- Trying to figure out how to handle our first 20 minutes of worship; create a template; kids 2 songs and sing with us; Stephanie needs 45 minutes with the kids.
- 15 minutes of the service with the kids and then out. Adam is working with Deacons to get them out on time.
- Men's discipleship started this week on Thursday; 9 guys in attendance -7:45 am.
- Pitched a small group.
- Christmas Eve at FBC needs to be a great experience especially for the newcomers. We will have two services, 2:00 pm & 4:00 pm. Kids 4 and under, childcare provided. In between the two services, we will have a fellowship time for families; cookies, treats, hot chocolate; picture area; bring your own goodies.
 - O Who are you inviting; at least 1?

Other Items:

- 8) Calendar Items:
 - a) Next Lord's Supper: 1st Sunday of each month
 - b) Next New Members Luncheon: Pausing on this for right now; until we get a feel on the two services.
 - c) Next New Member Rally: Nov. 16th
 - d) Next Council Meeting: Oct.12th @ 12:30 in the Joy Classroom
 - e) Future Membership Meeting: October 19th (Approve Budget);

January 18th;

April 19th;

July 19th or 26th depending on VBS

f) Senior "70+ yrs" Dinner Party: Friday, March 13, 2026

9) Adjourn @ 1:20 pm

Gary closes us in prayer

Motion

Marcy (1)

Rene' (2)

All approved Motion to Adjourn