

Manitoba Baptist Association Annual Business Meeting November 2, 2020 Via ZOOM

- 1. Welcome and Opening Prayer
- **2. Seating of Delegates -** 107 delegates present via ZOOM. A quorum has been declared.
- 3. Minutes of the October 19th, 2019 AGM **MOTION 1.** MOVED Brad Quiring SECONDED Norm Piel that the minutes of the 2019 Manitoba Baptist Association Annual Business Meeting be accepted as presented. CARRIED
- 4. Business arising from the Minutes
 - A. Seminary Scholarship Barry Thiessen
 - The scholarship is open to Kairos students at either Taylor Seminary or Sioux Falls Seminary
 - Students can apply or up to two years and reapply for a third year of funding if required
 - Applications are being accepted
 - QUESTION: (Terry Janke) To whom is the application sent? A formal letter of application

is sent to the MBA Executive

• QUESTION: A question was made about the content of the Kairos program.

B. May 13, 2020 special session

• There was no special session on May 13 due to Covid restrictions

5. Presentation of the 2021 Budget - Al Donald

A. Financial Reports

MOTION 2: MOVED Al Donald SECONDED Dale Hoffman that the Financial Reports be accepted as presented. CARRIED

B. 2021 Budget - Al Donald

MOTION 3: MOVED Al Donald SECONDED Bruce Hollins that the 2021 Budget be accepted as presented. CARRIED

• Al Donald will send out the estimated contributions to the churches in the next month.

6. Reports

- A. Moderators Report Barry Thiessen
- **B. Regional Ministers Report** Randy Jaspers
- C. Camp Nutimik Report Wayne EisBrenner
- **D. Meadowood Foundation Report Norm Piel**

MOTION 4: MOVED Terry Janke SECONDED Mark Stone that the reports be accepted as presented. CARRIED

7. Motion to Approve the Actions of the Executive in 2019

MOTION 5: MOVED Dale Hoffman SECONDED Cheryl Liessens that the actions of the Executive be approved by the AGM. CARRIED

8. Nomination of Directors and Officers for 2020 Election of Directors and Officers.

MOTION 6: MOVED Mark Stone SECONDED Daphne Keck that the AGM accept the acclamation of:

- Steve Pearson, Director at Large
- Allan Donald, Treasurer
- Daphne Keck, Women's Representative
- Alvina Moir, Director.

CARRIED

9. Other Business - Discussion regarding realignment of Regional minister territory. Join with Saskatchewan? Go with a part-time Regional Minister just for Manitoba? Stay as we are? Join Saskatchewan, Manitoba and North Dakota with two RM's?

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

- It seems to make sense that we have a someone that is more able to meet personally. Interprovincial travel seems to be easier than international.
- Is Saskatchewan on own or do they share? They have a .6 position.
- It seems to be better culturally to have an all-Canadian RM.
- The RM from Saskatchewan would like to retire soon.
- What would happen with Randy Jaspers, especially financially? It takes one year to dissolve the current arrangement. If there is a realignment of regions, 16 churches in South Dakota would possibly move in with North Dakota, which would effectively replace the 17 Manitoba churches.
- Would a new RM need to be from Saskatchewan or Manitoba, or can they come from anywhere?
- There are 13 churches in Saskatchewan
- The position of RM is a "high touch" ministry, is this one of the reasons?
- What do the pastors are saying?
- This doesn't seem to be a major concern as Randy has provided good care and advice to date.
- Because of Covid, there has been greater contact with Randy than ever.
- There is a concern of changing an RM who has established a good relationship with some churches.
- ZOOM is not as much of an issue because Randy has worked on relationships before Covid.
- There would be a financial advantage to an all-Canadian RM.
- Randy's gifts have been helpful for the leaders.
- Do we require the NABC's approval on this? The NAB was not able to guarantee liability, therefore they turned over the RM's to the associations. Officially, the associations have full responsibility.
- ULTIMATELY the MBA executive is looking for direction to pursue this further.

ACTION: The MBA Executive will continue to converse with the people involved.

10. Next Meeting

- **A. Special General Session –** May 19th, 2021, Abundant Life Baptist Church
- **B. Annual General Meeting –** October 15th & 16th, 2021, WhyteRidge Baptist Church

11. Closing Prayer

12. Adjournment