

Bahia Vista Mennonite Church
Overseers Minutes
October 12, 2015
Room 15, back of the sanctuary.

“Befriending all with the love of Christ through community, worship and service.”

Members Present:	Wes Oswald (Chair) Doug Graber Renee Krabbe	Wendy Donovan Dave Kniss Danny Remchuk
Members Absent:	Karl Hees Ben Sprunger	Mitch Helmuth
Pastoral Team Present:	Roger Shenk Shirley Good	Mike Christner Gene Yoder
Pastoral Team Absent:	Dennis Bontrager David Denison	Kayla Miller
Congregants Present:	0	

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Wes Oswald called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
2. **Devotional:** Mike Christner led in a devotional and prayer.
3. **Minutes:** Chair Wes Oswald declared the minutes from September 14, 2015 Overseer Meeting approved as distributed. (attached)
4. **Open Floor For Members’ comments:** None.
5. **New / Unfinished Business:**
 - a. Election/Nomination of Overseers: Danny Remchuk reported on the election/nomination process. Wendy Dooavan has decided not to serve another term. Accordingly there will be one position open for election at the annual member meeting in December.
6. **Reports:**
 - a. Monthly Pastor’s Report: Pastor Roger Shenk reviewed his report and highlighted several items. We continue to attract new people to our worship gatherings. (attached)
 - b. Financial Report: Mike Christner reported income exceed expenses by \$2,242 in September. Year-to-date income exceeds expenses by \$7,092. He also noted that because of special contributions in excess of normal operating expenses we were able to replace the flooring in the Fellowship Hall, Music Room and Library without impacting net income. (attached)
7. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. Finance Committee: No report.

- b. Membership Renewal Task Force: No report.
- c. Bylaws Task Force: No report.
- d. MCUSA Task Force: Pastor Roger Shenk reported on his experiences from the Southeast Mennonite Conference Leadership Board that was held on October 3rd at Bay Shore Mennonite Church. (attached)
- e. Sabbatical Committee: Mike Christner reported on the Sabbatical Leave Policy. He noted that Pastor Roger is eligible for a 3 month sabbatical during every fifth year. He plans to take his sabbatical in the summer of 2016. He has applied for a grant to help cover expenses.
- f. Building Fund Committee: Pastor Roger Shenk reported that we are in the process of identifying an individual to lead a Fund Raising Committee. The Committee will solicit contributions to pursue the implementation of the Master Plan which has been approved by the members and the County Board of Commissioners.

- 8. **Recommendations**: None
- 9. **Other Business**: None
- 10. **Executive Session**: None Scheduled
- 11. **Closing Prayer**: Pastor Roger Shenk led in a closing prayer.
- 12. **Adjourn**: Chair Wes Oswald closed the meeting at 8:40pm.

If you would like a copy of the attachments listed above please email Wes Oswald at wmozie@gmail.com

Upcoming Events:

- Overseers, Monday, November 9, 2015, 5pm
- Bahia Vista annual meeting, December 6, 2015, 6pm
- Southeast Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting, January 29-30, 2016 at Bay Shore Mennonite

Secretary: Wendy Donovan

Recording Secretary: Catharine Christner