

Bahia Vista Mennonite Church
Overseers Minutes
January 11, 2016
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 Ben Sprunger Karissa Miller	Dave Kniss Danny Remchuk Karl Hees Mitch Helmuth
Pastoral Team Present:	Roger Shenk Gene Yoder Dennis Bontrager	Mike Christener Shirley Good
Pastoral Team Absent:	Kayla Miller	Dave Dennison
Congregants Present:	none	

- 1. Call to Order:** Wes Oswald called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm
- 2. Devotional:** Wes Oswald led in a devotion and prayer
- 3. Minutes:**
 - Chair Wes Oswald declared the minutes from December 14, 2015 Overseer Meeting approved as distributed (Attached)
- 4. Open Floor for Members comments:** none
- 5. New / Unfinished Business:**
 - Welcome Karissa Miller and Hertha Kornhaus
 - Overseers terms, contact info, committee assignments:
Chair Wes Oswald discussed these three documents. Special note was made of a vacancy on the Finance Committee and the need for someone to chair the Building Fund Committee.

6. Reports:

- a. Monthly Pastor's Report: Pastor Roger Shenk reviewed his report. We were encouraged to participate in the area-wide *ReviveFlorida* meetings, especially prayer meetings. We know that Bahia Vista will be a part of this endeavor to revive God's Church in Sarasota.
- b. Finance: Mike Christener reviewed the December Financial Report. (Attached)

7. Committee Reports:

- a. Finance Committee: No report
- b. Membership Renewal Task Force: Pastor Roger Shenk reviewed his report (Attached). There was good discussion and feedback to Pastor Roger.
- c. Bylaws Task Force: No report
- d. MCUSA Task Force: Pastor Roger Shenk advised the Overseers that he agreed to serve on a SE Conference Task Force which will address, among other things, whether the SE Conference will remain with MCUSA. (Attached)
- e. Sabbatical Committee: Pastor Roger continues to consider various options for his sabbatical during the summer of 2016.
- f. Building Fund Committee: No report

8. Recommendations:

- a. Appointment of Officers: Wes Oswald recommended the following officers for 2016: (M/S/C, Karl Hees / Ben Sprunger)

Vice Chairman:	Danny Remchuk
Treasure:	Doug Graber
Secretary:	Renee Krabbe

- b. Everence Investment Accounts Authorization: Pastor Roger recommended that the Overseers transfer Everence investment accounts authorization from David Ray Miller, former Treasurer, and Gene Yoder, Administrator, to Doug Graber, Treasurer, and Mike Christner, Executive Minister. (M/S/C, Danny Remchuk/Dave Kniss)

9. Other Business:

- a. Ben Sprunger asked for a lesson topic for the combined Sunday School class with Myron Augsburg as teacher. The following was suggested: "The Biblical aspect of a Church Covenant".

10. Executive Session: (none)

11. Closing Prayer: Pastor Roger led in a closing prayer.

12. Adjourn: Chair Wes Oswald closed the meeting at 6:25 pm

Secretary, Renee Krabbe

Recording Secretary: Hertha Kornhaus

Upcoming Events:

- Myron Augsburger – January 24-27, 2016
- Southeast Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting, January 29-30, 2016 at Bay Shore Mennonite church
- Overseers, Monday February 8, 2016 at 5:00 pm
- Week of February 17th, *ReviveFlorida*

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