

Ellis Baptist Association
Leadership Team Minutes
April 10, 2017

In Attendance: Richard Cody, Jack Ables, Kathyne Buroughs, Joseph Barrett, Jim Lawton, Jared Douglas, Evelyn Newell, Bert Sigala, and Darla Schembera

Regrets: LaSharon Johnson, Debbie Crady and Aaron Clayton

Prayer requests were shared and Richard opened the meeting in prayer.

Kathyne was assigned to be the Process Check person.

The March meeting minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Darla presented the financial reports for March, 2017. Financials were approved as presented.

TEAM REPORTS

Ministry

Ellis Christian Women's Job Corp

- Financials were presented.
- Things are a bit slow, and one of the girls has some health issues. One of the students is moving on and the one that is left has worked to get her driver's license. There have been a lot of family deaths, but God is still good!
- Pantry Pounding went fantastic!! We received lots of stuff and it is still coming in.
- This is the 20th year of CWJC and we are doing good. Lauri went to training and has received her Site Coordinator license, so she will be able to help.

Hand in Hand Ministry

- Evelyn reports that cards have gone out and she has received feedback.

Ellis Christian Disaster Relief

- Financials were presented.
- We are in a season of non-disaster busy time. The shower trailer just got back from two mission trips and the tent unit has been going non stop.

Missions

Lenca / Radio Rio de Dios

- Shannon was here for two weeks sharing ideas and meeting with pastors to see about possible interns and also to interview for the school there.

Leadership Development

- None.

Church Revitalization

- None.

Church Planting

- None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Spoke with Allan Stafford, the attorney, and he needs us to determine who are the officers and the directors for EBA. It was determined that the officers will be Richard Cody, Debbie Crady and Darla Schembera. The Directors will be the remaining members of the Leadership Team.
- Richard spoke with Demetrius MacClendon and relayed to him what the Leadership Team had discussed and let him know that we simply need a letter from them and also to begin receiving contributions on a regular basis. At that time they can be re-instated into the Association as members.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Richard met with Josh Elsom from SOMA Waxahachie. This is a church that is part of a movement in the Northeast part of the US. It is a very millennial minded movement. After several changes they are currently members of DBA and BGCT. Things that were previously deterring an EBA relationship are now resolved and they would like to request membership. The Leadership Team at this time reviewed a draft of a membership request application and it was approved. Discussion was had

regarding what types of things are important when considering a church for membership. At this time Richard suggested that a three person sub-team be created to meet with Josh and the leadership of SOMA to evaluate and answer questions they may have as well. The team was elected to be Bert Sigala, Jack Ables and Joseph Barrett.

- Shannon talked with Richard and told him that Gus Reyes from the Christian Life Commission of BGCT wants to go to Honduras and shoot a video the ministries there. David Hardage, the Director of BGCT will be going as well. Shannon has asked that Richard come as well due to the partnership between the Honduras ministries and EBA, and Richard is requesting that Darla come along as well. Richard requested from the Leadership Team that EBA pay for both he and Darla's trip to Honduras. The Leadership Team approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

- The first Monday of each month is a time to come together and pray for Ellis County. Please join us at the EBA office.
- Richard led discussion about the property values that were shared at the last Leadership Team meeting. It was agreed that the Sardis property would be too costly for a church plant. Richard shared that he has requested a quote for having an appraisal done on all EBA property.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- None.

Process Check: Kathrynne said "We stayed on target. We did good!".

Our next meeting will be May 8, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. at the Associational Office.

Submitted by: Darla Schembera