

*Minutes of Annual  
Business Meeting*

**2017**

**IRS No. 486119505**

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The General Assembly of the Bible Holiness Church met in the tabernacle in Independence, Kansas on Monday, August 14, 2017 at 8:30 AM for the Annual Business Meeting. The 120th Camp had ended the night before.

The Annual Business Meeting was opened by Bro. Albert Schaper, our General Superintendent. Bro. Tim Gordon led the gathering in the song Where Jesus Is Tis Heaven There, with Bro. Curtis Gordon accompanying on the piano. Bro. Albert Schaper read a scriptural selection from Luke Chapter 9, and we knelt and had prayer.

Roll call was given and eligible voters were 100 with 61 present. The motion was made and passed to nominate and vote by ballot. The minutes and financial statements from the prior year were read and approved.

The following orders of business were conducted:  
**Northeastern District Superintendent Elect**, George Prior, was approved by the Assembly to fill a 2 year unexpired term.

**West Central District Superintendent Elect**, Joe Davolt Sr., was approved by the Assembly to fill a 2 year unexpired term.

### **General Church Trustees:**

Les Goins was reelected.

Philip Davolt was reelected.

**Board of Examination for Licensing:**

Duane Johnson was reelected.

Curtis Gordon was elected.

**Board of Education:**

Gary Schenck was reelected.

Harold Knight was reelected.

Della Schaper was reelected.

**Board of Foreign Missions:**

Dave Goins was reelected.

Katrina Randolph-Luma was reelected.

**Board of Home Missions:**

George Prior was reelected.

**Board of Foreign Missions:**

Curtis Gordon was elected to a 2 year unexpired term.

**Board of Church and Parsonage Building and Loan Fund:**

Mike Burgess was reelected.

Motion was made and passed to nominate by voice and vote by ballot.

**Burial Fund Board:**

Steven Douglas was reelected.

**Board of Publication:**

Harel Davolt was elected.

The assembly paused to have a standing ovation in recognition of the many years of faithful service for Bro. Gene Mahan.

At 12:15 the Assembly was adjourned for lunch, and at 1:15 we returned.

Old Business was revisited: The prior year's potential Bylaw Revision item that had been passed to be sent to the Churches was unfortunately not sent due to communication errors. It was decided we would send it out this year to be reviewed by the Churches and presented at the 2018 Assembly for vote.

New Business was opened for discussion.

Donations to the Ministerial Burial Fund and concerns for the balance on hand and how to appropriate funds was discussed in depth. A motion to eliminate the death benefit from Exhorters that are not active Pastors or Evangelists was made and failed.

A motion to have a "cheat sheet" for churches that would indicate what offerings were needed annually by churches and levy percentages for the Burial Fund was made and then withdrawn.

A decision was made that the General Board and General Secretary would send a reference sheet to the Church Secretaries to help them with knowing offerings that should be taken annually for General Church Departments, etc.

Discussion was than made at length about the General Camp expenses and the Flaming Sword expenses ongoing.

The Assembly was then adjourned.