

First Baptist Church of LaBelle Special Called Business Meeting June 22, 2008

The business meeting was called to order at 6:25 PM on June 22, 2008. Approximately 60 members of the First Baptist Church were in attendance as well as the following Deacons and Trustees.

Deacons present were: Bill Hill, Wayne Simmons, Roy Herrera, and Ron Zimmerly  
Trustees present were: Darrell Harris, Paul Martin and Bobby Holland

Pastor Frank Deerey, Jr was the moderator. Pastor Frank stated that the purpose of the meeting was to ask permission to build the education building not to exceed \$1.95 million. He showed a series of slides showing the costs of the building project and the final amount of \$1.95 million needed to build. Discussion was open.

Several members of the congregation commented that because of the current economic conditions it was time and prudent to revisit costs of the bid with Cogun and some members asked about opening up the project to other contractors. Pastor Frank reported that the deacons and trustees had similar concerns and had in fact looked at another large contractor in the area (Owens Ames Kimball) and were just starting to look at that proposal. Throughout the discussion, statements generally reflected concern over getting the best value for the church.

A motion was made by Don Finks and seconded by Matthew Yeomans to allow the Deacons, Trustees and Pastor to proceed with building the education building not to exceed \$1.95 million dollars and to make the best decision possible for the church regarding costs and financing.

A paper ballot was provided and members were instructed to vote yes to proceed with the project while still looking for ways to keep prices down, or to vote no if they did not want the project to proceed.

The votes were cast, collected and tallied. The vote was 40 yes and 9 no, 2 blank. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Moody  
Church Clerk, Pro tem