

# **Rocky Mountain Bible Mission**

Minutes of Mission Meeting  
Quality Inn Conference Center, Missoula, Montana  
April 18, 2006

## **Opening**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gray Repke who prayed to open the meeting. A challenge from God's Word was presented by Dave Simmons, the mission's executive director.

Members present for all or part of the meeting were: Scott Ambo, Sid & Linda Bartell, Steve & Myrna Bicknell, Jeff & Miriam Boschmann, Larry & Linda Brown, Jim Carlson, Dave & Debbie Donnerberg, Warren & Michele Edson, Fred Emery, Steve Fawcett, Leota Fred, Edwin & Linda Grinder, Jim Hunter, Brenda James, Rosina Jesse, Dave & Millie Knight, Steve Lockrem, Art & Connie McCafferty, Virgil McAnally, Jim Moore, Don Oberg, Bev Paulson, Ed Pomelear, Gray Repke, Dave & Kathy Simmons, Paul & Mary Skoglund, Cindy Snyder, Clark West, and Lee & Margy Wraith; 34 missionaries, two board members, three church representatives, and one staff member (non-voting).

Guests present for all or part of the meeting were: Kadi Cole, Blake Haugen, Verlan Jesse, Nancy McAnally, Wally Paulson, and John Wallace; 6 guests.

At the request of the chairman, Ed Pomelear moved for a time certain to adjourn of 4:45 PM; Edwin Grinder seconded. By voice vote, the motion carried.

## **Reports**

Copies of minutes for the January 2006 meeting were not available for distribution. Ed Pomelear read aloud those portions relating to attendance and business. Don Oberg moved to approve the minutes; Edwin Grinder seconded. There being no further discussion, by voice vote, the motion carried.

Leota Fred used a PowerPoint presentation to report on the finances of the mission. Dave Knight moved to accept the report; Jim Hunter seconded. There being no further discussion, by voice vote, the motion carried.

## **Old Business**

To present amendments to the mission's By Laws proposed by the Executive Board, Gray Repke yielded the chair to Ed Pomelear. Jeff Boschmann volunteered to take notes. (Note: Here in the minutes typographical errors in the proposals have been corrected.)

The executive board proposed amending the By Laws, Article I, Missionary Membership, to add "6. Missionaries departing a ministry with the Mission who leave in good standing at their own request will be considered inactive missionaries. Various privileges may be extended to such missionaries as from time to time the Executive Board determines appropriate and feasible." Following a reading of the proposed amendment Paul Skoglund moved to approve it; Brenda James seconded. Discussion and explanation followed. There being no further discussion, by voice vote, the motion carried.

The executive board proposed amending the By Laws, Article II, Church Membership, paragraph 1, to add the following sentence: "In addition, the congregation must maintain current incorporation as prescribed by the laws of the state in which they meet." Following a reading of the proposed amendment Edwin Grinder moved to approve it; Bev Paulson seconded. Discussion and explanation followed. There being no further discussion, by voice vote, the motion carried.

The executive board proposed amending the By Laws, Article IV, Order of Business and Voting Procedures, to add paragraph 8 as follows:

"8. Special Meetings

- a. Special/called meetings of the mission must be announced to the mission voting members a minimum of fifteen days before the meeting date.
- b. Such notification will be made by registered US mail or personal telephone calls to members, in which case a log will be maintained of each conversation.
- c. Each notice will contain specific information as to the meeting's purpose (with consideration given to personal and confidential data), date, time, and location."

Following a reading of the proposed amendment Steve Bicknell moved to approve it; Warren Edson seconded. Discussion and explanation followed. There being no further discussion, by voice vote, the motion carried.

The executive board proposed amending the By Laws, Article IV, Order of Business and Voting Procedures, to add paragraph 9 as follows:

"9. Quorum

- a. A quorum is necessary in order to conduct any business at special and regularly scheduled meetings.
- b. A quorum is established at all business meetings with the physical presence of three-fourths for the member missionaries.
- c. Although invited to vote at any meeting they attend, it is not necessary to have church representatives present for a quorum at business meetings."

Following a reading of the proposed amendment Edwin Grinder moved to approve it; Brenda James seconded. Discussion and explanation followed.

Jeff Boschmann moved to change the words "the physical presence of three-fourths of the member missionaries" to "the physical presence in excess of fifty percent of the member missionaries"; Fred Emery seconded. Discussion and explanation of the change followed. There being no further discussion, by voice vote, the motion to change the words carried.

There being no further discussion on the amendment, by voice vote, the motion to approve it carried.

The executive board proposed amending the By Laws, Article IV, Order of Business and Voting Procedures, to add paragraph 10 as follows:

"10. Absentee Voting

- a. Missionary members may vote by written absentee ballot in extremely urgent or emergency situations when the Executive Board grants approval on a case-by-case basis.
- b. Absentee ballots must contain information as to the specific business matter being acted upon, a clear 'yes/no' or 'for/against,' and the printed name, date, and signature of the voter."

Following a reading of the proposed amendment Fred Emery moved to approve it; Art McCafferty seconded. Discussion and explanation followed. There being no further discussion, by voice vote, the motion carried.

Ed Pomelear yielded the chair to President Gray Repke.

### **New Business**

No new business was presented.

### **Ministry Reports and Prayer Time**

In the remaining time ministry reports were presented by Steve Bicknell, Dave Donnerberg, Ed Grinder, Brenda James, Jim Moore, Ed Pomelear, Dave Simmons, and Lee Wraith.

### **Closing**

There being no further business Brenda James moved to adjourn the meeting; Dave Knight seconded. By voice vote, the motion carried and Repke closed in prayer at 4:40PM.

Pressing on,

Ed Pomelear  
Secretary

Note: These minutes were approved on October 27, 2006