

## **Rocky Mountain Bible Mission**

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Minutes of Mission Business Meeting  
Lolo (Montana) Community Church  
Friday, October 12, 2007



### **Opening**

President Gray Repke prayed briefly then introduced Dave Simmons, the mission's executive director. Simmons challenged us, preaching from Matthew 25:31-46.

### **Attendance**

Voting members present were Sid & Linda Bartell, Steve Bicknell, Jeff & Miriam Boschmann, Larry & Rhonda Brown, Jim Carlson, Warren & Michele Edson, Steve Fawcett, Edwin & Linda Grinder, Rex Heckel, Rosina Jesse, Gary Jimmerson, Dave & Millie Knight, Sr., Art & Connie McCafferty, Jim Moore, Bev Paulson, Ed Pomelear, Gray Repke, Russ Scheffel, Dave & Kathy Simmons, Cindy Snyder, Ted & Kathy Vancil, John Wallace, Clark West, Lee & Margy Wraith, and Joe Young; 31 missionaries—a quorum.

Leota Fred was the sole staff member present.

Other guests attending were Bill Bowen, Melvin Bowen, Verlan Jesse, Bob Miller, Kelly Mitchell, Dave & Kelly Olson, and Melvin Zuern.

### **Motion to Set Time of Adjournment**

Repke called for a motion to set time of adjournment. Edwin Grinder moved to close the meeting by 4:47; Carlson seconded. Without discussion, by voice vote, the members approved.

### **Reading and Approval of April Minutes**

After allowing time to read the minutes, Art McCafferty moved to accept them as written; Warren Edson seconded. By voice vote, the membership approved.

### **Approval of Financial Report**

Leota Fred highlighted portions of the written reports. Grinder moved to accept the report; Snyder seconded. By voice vote, the board approved.

### **Updates/Presentations**

#### **Mission move**

Leota Fred reported she had toured the building site for the new mission office. An early January move is expected.

Bev Paulson provided details for and extended an invitation to the mission women for the February retreat, exhorting husbands to encourage his wife's attendance.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

## New Business

### Term Limits for executive Board Members

Pomelear presented the attached amendment that the Executive Board had reviewed and approved.

### Open Nominations for Executive Board Members

Repke announced the opening of nomination for the Executive Board. Two members, Ed Pomelear and Clark West, faced the end of their terms.

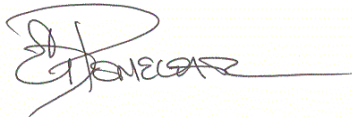
## Prayer and Share Time

Steve Bicknell, Larry Brown, Rex Heckel, Jim Moore, Russ Scheffel, Dave Simmons, Ted Vancil, John Wallace, Lee Wraith, and Dave Knight presented ministry reports.

## Closing

With no further business, Dave Knight moved to close the meeting; Art McCafferty seconded. With no objections, Repke prayed dismissing the members.

Pressing on,



Ed Pomelear  
Secretary

### Approval:

These minutes were approved on April 15, 2008.

## Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the Rocky Mountain Bible Mission

WHEREAS term limits for religious leaders are not dictated in the Bible, simultaneously acknowledging that neither are they prohibited; and

WHEREAS term limits are political and secular in nature; and

WHEREAS forcing godly leaders out of a position for which they are otherwise fully qualified and willing to serve is a dubious rule; and

WHEREAS Scripture in Matthew 18:15-18 is the more biblical instruction on how to remove unqualified men from leadership positions; and

WHEREAS enforcing term limits removes from office the leaders with the best experience and has proven to be counterproductive to the smooth operation of the Mission; and

WHEREAS until 2000 term limits were not included in the Constitution;

THEREFORE, the Executive Board recommends adoption of the following amendment to the Constitution of the Rocky Mountain Bible Mission, which eliminates term limits:

### AMENDMENT ONE

Article V. Officers, paragraph 2, which now reads, "Elected executive board members may serve two consecutive three-year terms to be followed by a mandatory one-year sabbatical recess. Serving another member's unfinished term does not constitute a member's elected term" is amended to read, "Executive board members are elected to three year terms. Members may be re-elected."

IMPLEMENTATION. Because every man currently serving in one of the board's elected positions is serving a date-limited term, his term will expire as scheduled. He may choose to continue to serve, which will require re-nomination and re-election as described in Article V. Officers, paragraph 3, and the By Laws.

Voted on and approved by the Executive Board on September 17, 2007. Presented to the Mission body on October 12, 2007. Approved using ballots at the April 15, 2008 meeting of the Mission.