

MIDLANDS MISSION CENTER CONFERENCE MINUTES

Chihowa Conference Center

November 17, 2007

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Morning session of the 2007 MMC Fall Conference began with a welcome, praise songs and a prayer. Congregation was then released to attend one of three classes offered: A Call to the Church: Section 163, Outreach Ministry: Reviewing the Missionary Tool Kit and Registered Youth Workers: Protecting our Children and Youth.

Conference broke classes at noon for a lunch prepared by the Central Avenue Center of Hope Board. Donations of \$393.75 for lunch were collected for the Center.

The afternoon session of conference began with a pre-legislative session at 1:15pm. After a short break the legislative session of the conference began at approximately 2:30pm. Donna Fletcher offered an invocation following the congregation singing of *Gather Us In* (Sing for Peace Hymnal #4). Guest Nancy Eisler, from Outreach International, was presented a check for Outreach International for \$1,000 from the Midlands Mission Center. Nancy addressed the congregation with a presentation about Outreach International programs and presented the mission center with a plaque in appreciation for participation in the Outreach Partners Program.

Sue Phipps called the official business meeting to order at approximately 2:50pm.

Motion to approve minutes from the April 28, 2007 conference gathering was made by John Studdard and seconded by Helen Thomas. After no suggestions/corrections were made vote to approve minutes was made and minutes were approved as printed.

Sue Phipps then turned the conference floor over to special guest, Seventy Robin Linkhart, West Central USA Mission Field Leadership, to express greeting from World Church. Robin Linkhart read a letter from David Schaal, of the First Presidency, in support of the mission center sustaining Sue Phipps as Midlands Mission Center President. Motion to sustain was offered by Bruce Rider and seconded by Karen Thomas. Following a vote by show of hands motion to sustain was passed. Robin then read a second letter from David Schaal, this one in support of sustaining Mikal Shedd as Midlands Mission Center Financial Officer. Motion to sustain was offered by Doug Albro and seconded by John Studdard. Voting by show of hands showed the motion had passed. Robin Linkhart then returned the floor to Sue Phipps.

Sue Phipps read her letter to the Midlands Mission Center recommending the sustaining of Don Bice and Stan Troeh as counselors to the mission center President. Motion to sustain was made by Gary Collins with several seconds. Vote was made and Don Bice and Stan Troeh were sustained as counselors to the Midlands Mission Center President.

A letter from Mikal Shedd was read, by Sue Phipps, in support of accepting Greg Stollsteimer and Richard Rupe as counselors to the mission center Financial Officer. Motion to sustain counselors to the Financial Officer was made by Lloyd Barnett and seconded. Voting by show of hands showed support and motion passed.

Next, the conference addressed the call of Gay Spalding to the office of Seventy. Floor was turned over to Kris Judd, President of the Second Quorum of Seventy, who addressed the conference and read a letter in support of the call (**Attachment A**). Floor was returned to Sue Phipps and a motion to approve the call was made by Mark DuVall with several seconds. A letter of acceptance from Gay Spalding was read to the conference by Sue. Floor was opened to those wishing to speak to the call. Following the words of support from several in attendance, voting on the call took place and support for Gay Spalding in her call to Seventy was given by mission center through the representative conference.

The congregation then stood and sang *Lord Jesus, of You I will Sing* (Sing for Peace #31).

The conference then turned to the issue of the 2008 budget and Motion to approve the budget was given by Richard Rupe and seconded by Karen Thomas. Sue Phipps turned the conference floor over to Mikal Shedd, Midlands Mission Center Financial Officer, for presentation of the 2008 Midlands Mission Center Budget. Following presentation and question and answer time, Mikal turned the floor back to Midlands Mission Center President, Sue Phipps to call for vote. The vote supported acceptance of the 2008 Midlands Mission Center budget as presented (**Attachment B**).

Don Bice then took the floor to address the suggested board for the Chihowa Retreat Center and referenced the letter printed in the conference bulletin. Steve Zahniser gave a brief report on the progress of hiring a new resident manager for the grounds. Vote by show of hands showed the motion to approve suggested board passed.

Floor was turned over to Stan Troeh to address the Central Avenue Center of Hope suggested board as printed in the conference bulletin. Motion in support of suggested board was made by JoNell Thomas with several seconds. Vote was made and motion carried.

Sue Phipps retook the floor to read letter regarding Midlands Mission Center Representation on the Center Place Campground, Inc Board (informational purpose only). Sue also read an informational letter from Stan Troeh, President of SHARE, Inc. Board, regarding the SHARE, Inc. board and its officers.

Gathered congregation stood for the singing of *Lord, I Give You* (Sing a New Song #32).

Offertory remarks were given by Richard Rupe and \$277.00 was collected in support of the Midlands Mission Center Fall Conference.

Greg Stollsteimer was set apart as counselor to Midlands Mission Center Financial Officer by Bishops Mikal Shedd and Sue Phipps.

Recognition was given by Sue Phipps and Mikal Shedd to those Pastors and Financial officers stepping away from their respective congregational leadership positions: Wayne Day – Pastor, Excelsior Springs, Lynn Frazier – Pastor, Liberty, Cara Lance – Financial Officer, Leavenworth, Richard Landers – Pastor, Wichita Central and Sharon Spaans – Financial Officer, Wichita Central.

Floor was turned over to Don McLaughlin, Midlands Mission Center Outreach Coordinator, for a presentation. Following his presentation floor was returned to Sue Phipps who called for any new business. With no new business presented, motion to adjourn was made by Karen Thomas and seconded by Helen Thomas. Vote was taken in support and the business meeting was adjourned by Sue Phipps at approximately 4:15pm.

Following the singing of *Put Peace into Each Other's Hands* (Sing for Peace #15), Greg Stollsteimer offered a benediction.

Following several announcements the 2007 Midlands Mission Center Fall Conference came to an end.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Weigand-Vaughan

Attachment A

Midlands Mission Center Annual Budget - 2008

	Actual YTD (10/31/2007)	Annual Budget - 2007	Actual Pledged MMC Proposed Budget - 2008	
RECEIPTS				
001/41000	Congregational Assessments	\$126,894.17	\$140,680.00	\$153,388.00
001/42000	Contributions	2,683.50	4,600.00	4,600.00
001/43000	Transfer from Operating Reserve	44,369.50	60,500.00	61,500.00
001/44000	Other Income	96.00		
001/44010	Interest Income	0.00		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$174,043.17	\$205,780.00	\$219,488.00
DISBURSEMENTS				
<u>Program</u>				
001/51010	Communications Ministries	\$2,350.15	\$9,500.00	\$4,102.00
001/51020	Leadership Ministries	2,897.81	4,000.00	4,000.00
001/51030	Outreach Ministries	4,614.89	3,900.00	5,500.00
001/51031	The Place	1,200.00	1,600.00	2,400.00
001/51060	Young Adult Ministries	147.03	500.00	500.00
001/51040	Youth Ministries			4,856.00
Total Program		\$11,209.88	\$19,500.00	\$21,358.00
<u>Adminstration</u>				
001/52010	Equipment Maintenance	\$182.68	\$2,500.00	\$1,600.00
001/52020	Insurance	726.00	500.00	500.00
001/52030	Business Expenses	3,514.05	5,000.00	4,000.00
001/52040	Postage Meter/Postage	9,888.29	2,100.00	500.00
001/52050	Copier	741.11	4,800.00	4,800.00
001/52060	Professional Fees	882.30	1,200.00	1,200.00
001/52070	Rent	24,034.96	28,000.00	30,000.00
001/52080	Telephone	3,224.27	4,500.00	4,100.00
Total Administration		\$43,193.66	\$48,600.00	\$46,700.00
<u>Human Resources</u>				
001/53010	Office Staff Salaries	\$64,855.85	\$71,530.00	\$73,680.00
001/53011	Office Staff Benefits	10,036.80	11,700.00	11,700.00
001/53012	Office Staff Payroll Expenses	3,728.21	1,000.00	0.00
001/53020	Field Ministers	41,018.77	53,450.00	55,050.00
001/53030	Youth Ministry Network Leaders			11,000.00
Total Human Resources		\$119,639.63	\$137,680.00	\$151,430.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$174,043.17	\$205,780.00	\$219,488.00
		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00