

**Minutes of the Executive Committee of Deacons
Central Baptist Church of Fountain City
October 11, 2009**

Welcome – Chairman Hicks welcomed the deacons to the meeting and stated that he saw his role as one of facilitating and organizing. He supplied an agenda that focused on providing the deacons with the information they need in order to be servant leaders for the church.

Chairman Hicks read from Romans about the body of the church, and from the book called *Managing People Is Like Herding Cats*, where he listed the differences between managing people and leading people. Terry stated that the deacon body's purpose is to be servant leaders and he wants that vision to turn into action for our church.

Information Exchange - David Renfro was recognized to report on the Administrative Council. David stated the purpose of the Council was to coordinate money, people, and other church assets. Also they are a resource for a quick response if any church issues suddenly arise. And finally the Council will focus on the future and be proactive when meeting the needs of the church. They plan to focus on financial oversight and insurance policies in the near future.

Bill Rosenbalm was recognized to report on the Ministry Leadership Council. Bill stated the Council meets on the first Tuesday of the month to plan the church calendar for the coming weeks.

Walter Crouch relayed that his final schedule for the church would be two more Sunday Morning services and five more Sunday nights.

Ron reported on several events the church was involved with, including a luncheon for the Catalyst Planning Team and the Russian community having a wedding and lunch. He also mentioned the chapel renovation would begin soon. Several new teachers are starting Sunday School classes; however Sunday School attendance has been low overall. He feels a large part of that may be due to illness. He stated the fellowship BBQ lunch we had across the street was fantastic.

Bob mentioned that Lance was leading the youth in Sunday night Bible study. He was also very grateful for the support the church has shown him for the CenturyMen tour.

Opportunities for Service - Kathy Rosenbaum mentioned the upcoming Serving Knoxville As One on October 24 and encouraged the deacons to participate. She said there would be a multi-church celebration Sunday night at the World's Fair Park amphitheater.

David and Elaine Womack said that the Youth Choir would be working to support Central High School.

Fran Mitchell announced that Chaplin Jake Snodgrass, a friend of Lance, is requesting sports items for the soldiers in Iraq. Any equipment such as balls, bats, gloves, etc. as well as magazines such as *Time* or *Sports Illustrated* would be welcomed. Also any personal notes of encouragement sent to the troops would also be greatly appreciated.

Chairman Hicks asked for praises and prayer requests, and David Womack closed the meeting in prayer.

Next meeting will be November 8.

Respectively submitted,
Bill Keeler