

# New Church Development Board

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## **Minutes of meeting held June 23, 2007 at Peoria Church of the Brethren**

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Members present: Lois Snyder, Dennis Metzger, Terry Link, Dawn Blackman, Kay Weller.

Absent: Paul Kohler

Others present: Apostle: Lynda Lubbs-DeVore, Moderator: Joyce Person, Moderator-elect: Jerry Sales, and Stanley Gilbert.

Devotions: Dawn shared a devotion of A.B.Simpson titled "Days of Heaven on Earth" with the assurance that God has spoken-it is done!

Approval of minutes of 19 May: The minutes were approved by consensus.

Apostle: Written report received, progress continues and networking contacts are expanding. A church planting conference may be held again at Bethany, possible dates are May 16-18, 2008, Lynda has been asked to be on the planning team.

Outlined ongoing problems with setting up new website and proposed a solution to get it done prior to Annual Conference.

Motion: Lois moved, Kay seconded: That we authorize Lynda to enter into a contract with a vendor to set up the website provided terms are acceptable. Discussion, reviewed vendors under \$1,000 proposal, we own name and control site, work references are checked. Motion approved.

Stan Gilbert shared the idea of using directories from the district churches to contact persons who have relocated to other areas and who may have interest in helping plant a Brethren church in their new town. A few examples are in the Peoria church directory. A review was also made of persons in the Bloomington/Normal area who are known to us and who may be interested in meeting to form a core team. It was agreed that work in the B/N area needs picked-up and the conversation re-opened. Lynda will contact Paul Kohler about re-opening the work and a plan to move forward. Terry will contact the district office to see if directory copies are on file in a central location.

Financial secretary: Names were shared of persons to replace Jim Mack who is leaving the position. It was approved by consensus to ask Jack Flores, also of Elgin, to serve. Terry will contact him to confirm and meet with them to coordinate transition of files and duties.

2008 budget for District Conference: Reviewed line items, updated amounts and added new line items. Budget is based on funding start-up of three new church plants in 2008 and was approved by consensus.

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Lunch: Thank You Peoria congregation for hosting our meeting and providing lunch.  
Special thanks to Annie Sales for the strawberry pies

District conference written report: Dennis will draft and route for review and input.

Themes for oral report and display table to be discussed next month.

Discussion: Idea for an NCDB/LT co-sponsored non-business district conference, for next spring, that would include insight workshops on church health, church planting, with CEU credits. Lynda has heard Dr. Quick present "Healing the Heart of your Church" and recommends the speaker who is also familiar to Duane Grady of the CoB General Board.

Upcoming meetings:

July 28th Champaign. (updated 7-10-07)

August 25th proposed to meet at Chicago First.

Meeting times are from 10am to 3pm, visitors are always welcome.

Minutes kept by Terry Link

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