

*"Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain" (Joel 2:1)*

# Daily Tidings of Zion

Conference of Restoration Elders

**Tuesday, April 5, 2005**

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10:00 A.M. Business Session Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Richard Neill with the singing of a hymn, Consecration No. 312, and an opening prayer by Tom Carnahan.

Skip Robison reviewed where the Quorums were to be meeting.

Richard Neill announced that "Call at Evening" CD's are available. He then read from John 10:11 – I am the Good Shepherd. . .

Richard Neill then referenced the Daily Tidings for approval. The minutes of Monday's minutes were approved after some corrections were made to names.

A request was made for all the Quorum leaders, the High Priests and the Women's Council to give reports of their activities.

Dean Alberti then read the names of additional elders who had been approved by the credentials committee. They were accepted by the body.

## **Elders Approved by the Credential Committee**

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| Alberti    | Dean    | Burnett    | Milo   | Evans      | Jack     |
| Allen      | George  | Burns      | Gordon | Flowers    | Robert   |
| Anderson   | Jason   | Carnahan   | Tom    | Frye       | Frank    |
| Augenstein | Lowell  | Castillo   | Manuel | Gage       | Paul     |
| Ballantyne | Mike    | Cederstrom | Carl   | Gomez      | Arturo   |
| Banks      | Earl    | Cimino     | Joe    | Good       | Edgar    |
| Barks      | Earl    | Clark      | James  | Griffin    | Terrance |
| Bates      | David   | Cornish    | Verle  | Hawley     | Gary     |
| Beem       | Thomas  | Crabb      | Dale   | Hawley Jr. | Herbert  |
| Bert       | Tom     | Crane      | James  | Hensley    | Richard  |
| Bird       | Ivan    | Crowell    | Tyler  | Horn       | Vim      |
| Bird       | Gerald  | Curtis     | Gerald | Humphrey   | Guy      |
| Brooks     | Dave    | Darling    | Vernon | James      | Jim      |
| Brotherton | Daniel  | Delaney    | Jack   | Johnson    | David    |
| Bryant     | Maurice | Drosche    | Wayne  | Johnsten   | William  |
| Bunch      | Robert  | Eaton      | Dowe   | Kent       | Vernon   |
| Burnett    | Milo    | Eichorn    | John   | Kuntz      | Gary     |

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| Leutzinger, Sr. | Rudolph L. | Scherer    | Nathan     |
| Levengood       | Bruce      | Schnack    | Vernard    |
| Levengood       | Donald     | Scott      | Glenn      |
| Levitt          | William    | Short      | Kenneth    |
| Machart         | Dale       | Simmons    | Neil       |
| Mapes           | Steve      | Smith      | Richard A. |
| Marsh           | Roger      | Smith      | Leonard    |
| McCarty         | Leo        | Smith      | Richard A. |
| Miller          | Dwain      | Smith      | Aaron      |
| Moe             | Dennis     | Soldner    | Art        |
| Moreland        | Wray       | Sperry     | Charles    |
| Mustain         | Drexel     | Story      | Eugene     |
| Neill           | Richard    | Story      | Glenn      |
| Norman          | Dan        | Tandy      | Jon        |
| Odida           | Eric       | Thomas     | George     |
| O'Neill         | Andrew     | Thomas     | Gregory    |
| Patterson       | Doug       | Vun Cannon | James      |
| Pearson         | Vernon     | Vun Cannon | Jesse      |
| Peter           | Simon      | Wheeler    | Ray        |
| Piatt           | Gary       | Whiting    | Gary       |
| Ratliff         | Richard    |            |            |
| Reyes           | Juan       |            |            |
| Rolfe           | Rob        |            |            |
| Rowlett         | Russ       |            |            |
| Rowlett         | Jerry      |            |            |

The Quorums then made their reports concerning elections to the Elders Council and suggested changes in the Proposed Melchesidec Credentials Guidelines as outlined on pages Section 6-2, Section 6-3 and Section 6-4. A request was made to have those suggested changes by each quorum printed and given to the quorums for their consideration this afternoon.

Quorum No. 1 Mel Doubledee and Russ Reid

Quorum No. 2 Jack Evans and Bill Fehmer

### **Possible Alternatives to Proposed Changes in the Melchesidec Credentials Guidelines**

6a. As ministers representing the Church of Jesus Christ are charged with the personal responsibility of maintaining the highest standards of Christian conduct, verified failure to maintain such standards may constitute grounds for denying or revoking one's right to voice, vote, and participation in CRE activities. Unchristian conduct includes but is not limited to any of the following:

“Lying, backbiting, adultery, and kindred sins, as well as contracting bad debts, drunkenness, other substance abuse, giving occasion for harmful gossip, willful failure to preserve or maintain a shared confidence, misuse or abuse of priesthood privileges, and such other disregard for the standards of Christian conduct as may result in loss of power to minister effectively and may lead to not being credentialized for participation in the CRE.

Briefly stated, the facts are that the membership should at all times and in all places remember that the standards of the church are the standards of Jesus Christ. Should doubt arise in the mind as to the legitimacy of certain acts or procedures, reference to the life and pattern of the Master will give all the necessary answers that may be required. This is the supreme test of discipleship.”

“It cannot be over-emphasized that any such disciplinary action which may be taken by the CRE is in no way punitive, but in all cases it is to reclaim the fallen, but where willfulness is evidenced in continuing in wrongdoing, the CRE has no option but to act to preserve its good influence in the community.”

“The church is jealous of its name as the Church of Jesus Christ and is bound morally and spiritually to ensure that it is held high by all who enter into its privileges. At no time should a member of the church give way to temptation that will place in jeopardy the high and holy privileges of sainthood or priesthood.” (Sources: Church Member’s Manual, Chapter Four, *The Standards of Sainthood*, Herald Publishing House, 1947 and GCR 1158, 1980)

Upon the written statements of two or more credible witnesses to conduct on the part of any Melchisedec priesthood member that is unbecoming to that priesthood member or conduct that is detrimental to his ministry or the ministry of others, the Credentials Committee—or Coordinating Council between Conferences—may review that person’s participation in the Conference of Restoration Elders and may, if necessary, refuse or remove the person’s authority to participate.

**To protect and preserve the time and opportunity for deliberation of the elders meeting in conference, the following alternative to the proposed changes in section 8 of the guidelines is respectfully submitted for consideration:**

8. Appeals of the decision of the Credentials Committee for seating shall be made in writing and submitted to CRE Coordinating Council for review, consideration and action. If the appeal is denied, and one of the parties involved desires to appeal the decision of the Coordinating Council, a committee of elders, 2 from each of the quorums meeting in conference, will be selected to review and consider the appeal. The selected representatives will consider the appeal during the convening conference, and render a decision that shall be final. In this way the rights of the individual, and the rights of the body to consider matters pertaining to the conference, will be preserved and protected.

Quorum No. 3 No nominations at this time

Quorum No. 4 Kreg Levensgood and Tim Johns

Quorum No. 5 Robert Coville and Mark Deitrick

Nominations were received for the following positions.

**Chairman of the Conference**

Rudy Leutzinger  
Dan Brotherton  
Robert Rolfe  
Paul Gage

**Secretary – Recorder**

Steve Ferdig

**Treasurer**

Vaughn Cornish

**Historian**

Jim Daugherty

**Coordinating Council**

Mel Doubledee  
Duff Daugherty  
Russell Reid  
Mark Deitrick  
Vim Horn  
Danny Hight

**Education Council**

Cathlene Greer  
Christina Easter  
Debbie Mason  
Helen Brotherton

**Evangelism Council**

Benjamin Pedersen  
Nathan Sherer  
Richard A. Smith  
Daniel Schwartz

**Publication Council**

Joy Muir  
Barbara Ruggles  
Julie Smith  
Larry Rowan

**Stewardship Council**

Tim Johns  
Gary Metzger  
George Gross

**Women's Council**

Ann Taylor  
Pat Chadwick  
Darcy Brotherton  
Mary Prater

**Youth Council**

Jon and Tamara Tandy  
Rachel Bailey  
Linda Trimble

**Aaronic Council**

James Bullard  
Richard Hoff Sr.  
Chuck Pickett  
Michael Beem  
Shawn Pickett  
Lonnie Griffin

**Conference Corporate Officers**

|           |                       |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| President | Harold "Skip" Robison |
| Secretary | Steve Ferdig          |
| Treasurer | Vaughn Cornish        |

Paul Gage asked a question is the council of elders just for this week? Richard Neill explained that it was for the entire conference year.

Richard Neill brought up T7 for consideration. Vim Horn moved to lay on the table. It was seconded. The motion was passed.

T-6 Annual Budget was reviewed by Ron Lidberg. He discussed the reason for the decrease in the Publications Council was due to only five issues for this conference year. The Women's Council line item for printed materials needs to be increased to double the amount it is at currently because \$500 was spent after the close of the current fiscal year.

T-6 was moved by Gerald Bird and seconded by Russ Reid.

Ron Lidberg made an amendment to the motion that the Women's Council line item for printed materials be increased to \$1,000. The amendment was seconded by Gary Whiting. Richard Neill clarified that the addition of the \$500 would make the total budget \$297,224.00.

The amendment carried unanimously.  
The main motion to T6 was then carried unanimously.

Richard Neill requested that the individual quorums have prayer for the meal.  
The conference adjourned.