

"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

Wednesday, April 4, 2007
Morning Business Session Minutes

Br. Paul Gage opened the business session with reading D&C 2:2, 34:6a and 59:2d-g. We sang Hymn 262 with Br. Jon Tandy opening the session with prayer.

Br. Gage asked the body to review the Minutes from Tuesday's Session. Two corrections were offered. On the last page of the minutes (would be) Section 5-14, 5th sentence from the top, replace Quorum #3 with #1 and the 7th sentence from the top, replace Quorum #1 with #3. The body accepted the minutes as corrected.

Br. Ferdig passed the Election Ballots to the body. Br. Richard Neill nominated Br. Aaron Smith for the position of Secretary/Recorder. Br. Timothy Johns nominated Br. George Gross to be on the Stewardship Council. Br. Ferdig gave instructions on the voting process and once completed, collected for tallying.

Br. Gage presented the Forwarded Resolutions from the Joint Conference of Restoration Branches in Section 3-6. Br. Guin stood and gave the body the historical background as to the reason the resolutions were presented to the body.

Br. Jim Daugherty presented a new motion from Quorum #1 on page 1-7 of the Resolutions Handout. Br. Dan Norman 2nd. Br. Daugherty stated he didn't want to tie the CRE to something as defining as the original Forwarded Resolutions. He posed questions to the body stating that if they could answer those questions, then they were ready to discuss the resolutions.

Br. Gary Whiting offered a substitute motion from Section 5-12 of the Daily Tidings for Tuesday. Br. Mark Dietrick 2nd. Br. Whiting stated that this motion was similar in intent as the previous motion and he was confident that through prayer and study, God can speak to us on this matter. There was additional discussion on the matter. Br. Mark Dietrick called the question on all matters before the body. A vote was taken to move the question. Passed. After vote, the substitute motion passed.

Resolved, that the Conference of Restoration Elders call a general gathering of the elders to meet in worship and study to consider the matter of succession in Presidency, and be it further

Resolved, that the gathering seek in solemn fasting and prayer, the mind and will of God in these matters (James 1:5, Section 41:1, 2 and Section 46:3 b, c), and be it further

Resolved, that this body report back to the 2008 Conference of Restoration Elders and the Joint Conference of Restoration Branches.

The floor was opened for new business. Br. Bill Barrett moved the motion from Quorum #1 from 1-7 of the Resolutions Handout. Randy Vick 2nd. Br. Jim Daugherty asked the Seventy to speak to the motion. None responded. Br. Robert Whenham stated that the Seventy needed to be in a quorum. Br. Brian Mundy suggested the Seventy coordinate the missionary efforts. Br. Jon Tandy moved Quorum #5's amendment to this resolution from 5-12 of the *Daily Tidings* for Tuesday to add a line. Br. Lowell Augenstein 2nd. Br. David Bates submitted an amendment to the amendment, striking "to labor" and replacing them with "to find and employ ways". Br. Brian Mundy 2nd. The amendment to the amendment was voted on and passed.

Br. Dan Brotherton moved an amendment to the amendment to replace the word "coordinate" with the word "direct". Br. Gene Story 2nd. The body voted on this amendment to the amendment and it passed. A vote was taken on the amendment to the resolution, which passed. A vote was taken on the substitute motion, as amended, which passed as follows:

Whereas: the Seventy are currently the highest authoritative missionary arm in the church and,

Whereas: there are many boards and committees attempting to spread the gospel throughout the world and,

Whereas: there has been some overlap in the work going out,

Therefore be it resolved: that the CRE ask the Seventy to work with all boards and committees involved with the missionary work, to find and employ ways to direct the work throughout the world under one umbrella.

Br. Garry Piatt moved Quorum #1's resolution on the reaffirmation of the Inspired Version and The Book of Mormon. Br. Gary Metzger 2nd. Br. Jon Tandy moved an amendment, as found on 5-12 of the *Daily Tidings* for Tuesday, to including the Doctrine and Covenants. Br. Gary Whiting 2nd.

Br. Jack Evans offered an amendment to the amendment to change the GCR 215 quotation to a footnote, rather than part of the amendment. Br. Timothy Johns 2nd. Br. Russ Reid moved to amend the amendment to strike "Doctrine & Covenants" and replace it with "Book of Commandments." Br. Jim Crane 2nd. Br. Jim Daugherty stated that Br. Reid's amendment was acceptable if Br. Tandy's amendment was changed to a substitute motion. The body agreed. Discussion followed for both sides of the issue. Br. Jim Daugherty called the question to move on the amendment only. A vote was taken on the amendment to the amendment, which failed.

Br. Jon Tandy called the question on all matters, however, Br. Juan Reyes had attempted to make an amendment previously and was given the chance to speak. Br. Reyes offered an amendment to change the wording to read: "the Holy Scriptures, as contained in the Inspired Version, The Book of Mormon and The Doctrine & Covenants." Br. Robert Whenham 2nd. Br. Bob Giertz offered a point of order stating that this body cannot change a GCR. The wording was then placed in the resolve, rather than in the GCR quote.

Br. Paul asked if the body was ready to vote. The amendments were all approved. The substitute motion failed; however, Br. Jim Noland called for a Division of the House to verify the outcome. The results were 41 for the motion, and 43 against. This puts the original motion offered above by Br. Piatt, which passed as follows:

"Whereas, GCR 222 relates the importance of using the Inspired Version and The Book of Mormon,

"Resolved, we reaffirm our belief in the divine authenticity of the Inspired Version and The Book of Mormon."

Br. Paul brought to the floor the consideration for the date of the next conference. Br. Brian Mundy moved that the Coordinating Council select the date for the next conference and publish the date chosen in the *Tidings of Zion*. Br. David Bates 2nd. Br. Mark Dietrick asked that the Coordinating Council also consider the length of the conference when selecting the date. A vote was taken on the motion, which passed.

The vote tallies were turned into the Secretary. Br. Steve Ferdig read the names of the conference officers for the 2007-2008 Conference of Restoration Elders, which are listed in Section 5-20.

The CRE and ARM treasurers met regarding the proposed \$2000 per month budgetary line item for Future Hope Orphanage in Liberia. Their response is as follows: "It is our recommendation that the CRE should not accept this resolution, but refer this matter to the ARM board for its consideration."

Br. Paul Gate closed the meeting with prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Coordinating Council selected for 2007-2008 met and elected the following officers:

Chairman – Br. Paul Gage
Vice Chairman – Br. Dan Sherer
Secretary – Br. Dayn Cederstrom

The annual CRE Kirtland Priesthood Trip is schedule for September 21-23, 2007.

2007-2008 Conference of Restoration Elders Leadership

Conference Officers

Chairman	Richard Neill	254-7292		President	Richard Neill	254-7292
Secretary	Aaron Smith	847-7685		Secretary	Steve Ferdig	630-6033
Treasurer	Steve Mapes	690-3158		Treasurer	Steve Mapes	690-3158
Historian	Jim Daugherty	297-4370				

Corporate Officers

Aaronic Council

Richard Hoff, Sr.	729-4757	1 yr	Jack Evans	524-2279	1 yr
James Bullard	405-4277	1 yr	Jim Noland	373-8684	1 yr
Jason Howard	796-9399	1 yr	David Bates	795-7487	2 yr
Rod Madsen	461-6143	1 yr	Nathan Sherer	645-6051	2 yr
Glen Gardner	833-3589	1 yr	Bill Barrett – ARM S	796-0484	
Dennis King	796-0660	1 yr	– LAMB	380-6665	
Alex VunCannon	795-9540	1 yr	Skip Robison – SEAMM	373-9044	

Evangelism Council

Coordinating Council

Howard Parker	230-4000	1 yr	Rebecca Bowen	257-5344	1 yr
Dan Sherer	650-9357	1 yr	Joy Muir	254-5523	
John Mundy	650-6969	1 yr	Julie Smith	836-3559	
Bob Giertz	224-2093	2 yr	Warren Bennett	506-4517	
Paul Gage	833-6552	2 yr	Richard Smith	461-3461	
Dayn Cederstrom	224-3958	2 yr	Jim Daugherty	816-297-4370	
Doug Smith	860-584-6202	2 yr	Steve Ferdig	630-6033	

Publication

Education Council

Helen Brotherton	690-3646	1 yr	Ron Vermeland	650-5899	1 yr
Christina Easter	732-6883	1 yr	Richard Smith	461-3461	1 yr
Kathy Kline	356-6889	1 yr	Dale Carrick	796-6577	1 yr
Stephanie Hasselman	255-6980	1 yr	Todd Smith	650-4006	1 yr
Glenn Scott	461-4387	2 yr	Vernon Pearson	650-6405	1 yr
Cathleen Greer	833-0209	2 yr	Jim Crane	796-0862	1 yr
Jim Vun Cannon	795-9540	2 yr	Dayn Cederstrom	224-3958	1 yr
Joan Vun Cannon	836-3259	2 yr	Steve Marshall	257-0717	1 yr
			Tyler Crowell	220-1830	1 yr
			Glyn Carpenter	650-3248	1 yr

Elder's Council

Stewardship Council

Tim Johns	836-8882	2 yr	Mary Prater	836-6109	1 yr
George Gross	578-2280	2 yr	Marsha Bird	660-584-3056	1 yr
			Peggy Feagins	318-4488	1 yr
			Sylvia Powell	240-0095	1 yr
			Pat Chadwick	230-7075	2 yr
			Darcy Brotherton	690-7685	2 yr
			Kay Williams	580-7947	2 yr

Women's Council

Youth Council

Josh & Elyse McLeod	726-6491	1 yr	Linda Trimble	506-1463	2 yr
Roger Gummerman	210-0138	1 yr	Sarah Buckles	267-0625	2 yr
Chris Morris	836-3942	1 yr	Sam Humphrey	796-0552	2 yr
Lee Hillard	254-5076	2 yr			

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