

Minutes of Special Voters' Meeting

July 27, 2008

A Special Voters' Meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. on Sunday, July 27, 2008, by the President, Ruth Weispfenning, and opened with prayer by Pastor Jim.

There were 56 voters in attendance at this meeting.

The main purpose of this meeting was to act on a recommendation from the Church Council that we change our missionary support from the May family, who will be returning to the United States, to the Gillard family who will be leaving at the end of the year for a period of service in Uganda, Africa.

After a brief introduction by Ruth Weispfenning as to how we got to this point of proposing that we support the Gillard family.

A motion was made that we support the Council's recommendation as follows: "That Redeemer direct their missionary support of \$9,000 per year to the Jacob Gillard family and their missionary endeavors in Uganda, Africa. This would replace the May family support." The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Just an update since Pastor Gillard was here at the last Special Voters' Meeting in May, they have had the first big sale of their personal property, and will have one more when their house sells. They are packing 8 Rubbermaid tubs of personal belongings to take with them to Uganda, and the remainder will be put in storage while they are gone. The Gillards have undergone a 2-week intensive training session to prepare them for their service in Uganda and were officially installed as missionaries on June 29. They have also learned that they will have a vicar working with them for two years, Shauen and Krista Trump.

The Gillards have nearly \$48,000 pledged to date for their first year in Uganda and with Redeemer's \$9,000 will raise that total to \$57,000. They are on schedule to leave the United States the end of this year. Pastor Jim will also contact Pastor Gillard to invite him to participate in our Rally Day Services so that the congregation can meet him and his family in person.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 A.M. The meeting closed with a prayer read by Ruth that had been by Jacob Gillard's Aunt.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Gittus, Council Secretary