



Southern California

Black Fellowship of Southern California

Meeting Minutes—General Session

January 25, 2020

Present: Derrick Rosenior, Melissia Coley, Joseph Smotherman, James Markham, Jamal Alexander, Julius Agbor, Samuel Dumas, Woodrow Robinson, Dion Smotherman, Chukwuma Iroezi, Gregory Warren, Earl Coley, Nnabuike Okezue, Sam Brown

Guests: Rich Guerra, District Superintendent, Phillip Roberts – Hispanic Ministries

Next meeting: May 27, 2020

I. Call to Order by President Derrick Rosenior at 10:15 a.m.

- ❖ Dr. Rosenior briefly spoke on Philippians 2:5-11 and opened the meeting in prayer.
- ❖ Praise and Worship
- ❖ Announcements:
 - Upcoming Combined Worship Service to be held on Sunday February 16 at Orange County First Assembly of God—6 p.m.
 - Reach Conference July 20-22, 2020 (video clip)

II. Rich Guerra, SoCal Network District Superintendent

- ❖ SoCal Network Vision 2025 “Engagement”
 - I Corinthians 12:12, 27
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 - Number of ministers
 - -
 - Number of churches
 - -
 - Compassion
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 - Missions
 - -
 - Leadership Development
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- Intercultural
 - -
- Engagement
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- ❖ Steps to Vision 2025
 - Network Conference
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 - Leadership Summits
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 - Engagement In Regions Through Coaching and Mentoring
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 - Greater Use of Technology
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 - Restructure Bylaws To Allow On-Line Nominations
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- ❖ The floor was opened for the constituency to respond to the Vision of 2025 presented by Rich Guerra.
 - Ministers who responded:
 1. Julius Agbor
 2. Derrick Rosenior
 3. Warren Gregory
 4. Joe Smotherman
 5. Jamal Alexander

III. Report of Officers

A. Report of President

- ❖ Term of office election Resolution 2 from two years to three-year term.
 - The Term of Office Resolution 2 was read by Secretary Treasurer, Melissia Coley.
 - A verbal election was held for the Term of office election from two years to three years.
 - Motion was made by Dr. Rosenior to move the Term of Office Resolution 2 from a two-year term to a three-year term for the President, Vice President and Secretary Treasure offices. A verbal vote from the constituency to move the motion of the President, Vice President and Secretary Treasure office from two years to three-years.
- ❖ Election for the Vice President Office
 - A verbal election was held for the Vice President office.
 - Secretary Treasurer read the Black Fellowship of Southern California bylaws Article X. Officers, Elections and Vacancies, Section 1. Nominations and Elections B., and Section 3. Duties of Officers B. of the Black Fellowship of Southern California.
 - Before proceeding to vote for the Vice President office Jamal had the floor to speak to the Term of Office dates that were read by the Secretary Treasure of Resolution 2 for the Vice President office. Before voting for the Vice President office there needed to be clarification of the beginning and ending date for the Vice President position. Once the constituency clarified the beginning and ending date for the Vice President office. The beginning of office for the Vice President office starts at the appointed time that the Vice has been elected and the end date for the Vice President office is 2022.

- After the beginning date and the ending date were clarified for the verbal vote for the Vice President office. The floor was opened for discussion to vote for the best candidate for the Vice President position. The constituency considered the following nominees for this position: Troy Vaughn, Julius Agbor and Woodrow Robinson.
- As a previous Vice President for the Black Fellowship of Southern California Derrick Rosenior asked Pastor James Markham to give a brief description of the responsibilities that he had for this position.
- From the list of nominees who are qualified for the Vice President position, it is limited to a few Ordained ministers. The constituency discussed the possibility to broaden the pool by changing the certified level from an Ordained minister to a Licensed minister for the Vice President Office.
- Motion was made by Pastor Joe Smotherman to table the election for the Vice President position and to leave the office vacant until the Executive Leadership Team decides if the Vice President office will be amended because there is a small pool of ministers to vote from. A motion was moved to table the vote until the Executive Leadership Team meet to discuss Article X. Officers, Elections and Vacancies credentialed requirements.

IV. SoCal Network Conference

❖ Ethnic Fellowships

- For the SoCal Network Conference request a room for the Black Fellowship so that we can have more of a “presence” within the Fellowship.
- Pastor Joe Smotherman suggested that we should sponsor a reception for ministers who have been Ordained at the conference.

V. Membership Dues

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- Pastor Woodrow Robinson suggested that we create an envelope for the Black Fellowship of Southern California membership dues and mail it the Pastors. This could be a reminder for the churches and Pastors to remember to submit their dues.

VI. Adjournment

- ❖ Meeting adjourned in prayer by Pastor Woodrow Robinson at 1:03pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissia Coley
Secretary-Treasurer