

Minutes Martha Stone,
Grant Showalter the Executive Council
October 7, 2025

PRESENT: Kaye Matthews, Cindy Showalter, John Pitcock, Jennifer Showalter, Grant Showalter, Martha Stone, Pastor Stone,

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM with an opening prayer by Pastor Stone.

PASTOR'S REPORT: see attached – Cindy gave the date of November 8 for the Fall Festival

OUTREACH: reported how clean the church is, including the nursery – another movie night is being planned, date to be announced as yet, possibly

CONGREGATIONAL ENRICHMENT: no report

EDUCATION: no report

PROPERTY: see attached – due to upcoming surgery, Terry will not be chairman of this committee next year.

STEWARDSHIP: Mission offering for the months of October/November will be Santiago Chile for November and South Africa for November

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: see attached

TREASURER'S REPORT: see attached

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Give the Pastor authority to close out hosting some of the AA/NA groups.
Motion made to give the Pastor the authority to close out some of the AA/NA groups. MSC
Motion made to raise the donation of the groups 50%. MSC
2. Motion made to give a loan of \$15,000. to Agape School, to be paid back by December 31, 2025. MSC
3. Presented 2025 ballot.
4. Budget – discussed the need to consider roofs when presenting the budget noted in the budget section. Also, the possibility of adding a landscaping company to take care of trimming, etc. MSC to accept the budget, minus the Pastor's salary.
5. MSC to increase the pastor's salary by 4%.

MSC to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 PM with a closing prayer by Grant Showalter.

Respectfully submitted by,

Carolyn Solomon
Recording Secretary

Executive Council Minutes – August 5, 2025

First Brethren Church

PRESENT: John Pitcock, Terry Hostetter, Kaye Matthews, Martha Stone, Pastor Stone, Michael Stone and Carolyn Solomon.

Meeting called to order at 6:08 PM with an opening prayer by Pastor Stone.

PASTOR'S REPORT: see attached – is now president of the board for Agape School

OUTREACH: the movie nights were a success during this summer – want to have another movie at Christmas time – also a couple people have said they would donate money for future movies

CONGREGATIONAL ENRICHMENT: no report

EDUCATION: no report

PROPERTY: see attached – quotes for cleaning the sanctuary and nursery carpets are attached.

MSC to have the Albritton Company do the carpet cleaning.

Sink hole is being addressed as well as work being done on the parking area.

HOSPITALITY: no report

STEWARDSHIP: MSC to have the August Mission offering go to the Conference offering for Brethren Academy and the September offering to the Deacon Fund.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: see attached

TREASURER'S REPORT: see attached

MSC to accept the reports.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Nominating Committee needed to be appointed.

Michael Stone is the head of the committee. The following will be appointed to the committee pending their consent. Suggested are Iris Helmuth, Kaye Matthews, Grant Showalter, Jeanne Lindsey and Pastor Stone.

MSC to accept this list. Michael will meet with the committee.

MSC to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 PM with a closing prayer by Pastor Stone.

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn Solomon

Recording Secretary

Pastor's Report

First Brethren Church of Sarasota

Executive Council

October 2025

Report on August/September goals

- I have learned the names of the staff at Agape school and the older kids. I still have to work on learning the names of the younger ones.

Goals for October/November

- Finish the goal and learn all the names of the school kids and staff.
- Prepare for Advent season.

Weekly Activities August/September

- Sunday worship practice at 8:30 A.M.
- Children Sunday school class helper.
- Sunday 10:00 A.M. worship & live stream.
- Nightly 7:00 online devotional on Facebook and YouTube.
- Agape School chapel.
- Youth meeting on Wednesday afternoon.
- Wednesday Bible Study in-person and on Facebook Live.
- Maintain church web site.
- Hospital and other visits.

Non-weekly Activities June/July

- Executive Council.
- Showfolks Circus Club prayer.
- Agape School board meeting (2).
- Movie night.
- Installed LEDS in about three light fixtures in fellowship hall.
- Property ministry meeting.
- Oliver Ostlander grief counseling and celebration of life.
- Budget meeting.
- Nominating committee meeting.

Membership changes

- None.

Vacation/sick days

- None.

Comments

August and September have been pretty busy months as the school has started up. I have agreed to serve as the president of the school board for Agape School. This will allow us to have a closer cooperation between the church and the school.

The final movie night was a great success. We have had two people offer to pay for more movie nights.

Terry has been overseeing the final work for Hurricane Milton recovery, including the foundation and the placement for a new shed. He has done a great job dealing with a backlog of maintenance for the property.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor David

New Business

- Mission offering for October/November.
 - Santiago, Chile
 - South Africa
- Closing out our hosting of some of the AA/NA groups.
- Raise the requested donation of the AA/NA groups.
- Loan to school.
- Report on endowment: \$562,767.75
- Nominating ballot.
- Budget.

FIRST BRETHREN CHURCH – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PROPERTY MINISTRY
UPDATE FOR OCTOBER 2025

CONTINUED UPDATE FROM HURRICANE MILTON IN 2024

- 1 – Completed phase 1 (site preparation) for the shed, poured and finished the concrete pad for the shed and completed phase 2 (final grading around the concrete pad into the existing surrounding areas)
- 2 – The new 12ft. x 20ft. shed is currently in fabrication and expected to arrive on site the week of October 20th 2025.
- 3 – The replacement of several sections of concrete sidewalks between the church and school remain to be scheduled and completed.

OTHER PROJECTS IN PROGRESS OR COMPLETED:

- The plumber completed installing new water valves to the sinks in the men's and women's bathroom in the church.
- The plumber also completed repairs to two (2) leaking urinals in the boy's bathroom in the school. (Exterior masonry wall repairs remain to be completed)
- Completed professionally cleaning of the carpets and pew cushion seating in the sanctuary and balcony. Also cleaned the carpeting at the pulpit and nurse.
- Work is continuing to repair a reported sink hole that has appeared in a small grass area next to the parking area at the church. The area was excavated and numerous tree roots and large pieces of concrete were removed. The area was filled in with soil, however final grading and preparation for future paving needs to be completed.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE PRIORITIES:

- Installing (2) new exterior double doors and hardware leading from fellowship hall to the exterior remains on the property's priority list, however this activity may extend into next year. (Pending)
- **A Major Church Activity will be to install new roofs on the church and school from 2026 through 2030. (This activity is planned to be presented at the November congregational meeting)**

Financial Secretary Report

Offering budget/month: \$12,584.61

August 2025

Fund Source

Evan & Claire	\$20.00
Offering	\$20.00
General	\$28,540.60
MNMG	\$400.00
Offering	\$12,694.52
Play and Grow	\$3,194.08
Rent Agape	\$12,252.00
Missions	\$1,115.00
Offering	\$1,115.00
Movies	\$50.00
Offering	\$50.00
Pastor Supp.	\$1,200.00
Offering	\$1,200.00

September 2025

Fund Source

Deacons fund	\$500.00
Offering	\$500.00
General	\$16,425.04
Fri NA New Dire	\$400.00
Offering	\$11,977.47
Play&Grow	\$3,147.57
Thurs NA StepN	\$100.00
Tues.NA	\$200.00
Wed AA Beg.	\$600.00
Memorial Service	\$200.00
Tues.NA	\$200.00
Missions	\$1,066.00
Offering	\$1,066.00
Pastor Supp.	\$1,200.00
Offering	\$1,200.00

Sarasota First Brethren Church	
September 30, 2025	BALANCE SHEET
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CURRENT ASSETS	
Checking/Savings	
Everence FCU	
EFCU - Unrestricted	\$15,804
EFCU - Special	\$37,498
TOTAL Everence FCU	\$53,302
EFCU - Capital Savings	\$3
EFCU - Peru Savings	\$25
TOTAL Checking/Savings	\$53,330

Sarasota First Brethren Church	
September 30, 2025	SPECIALS BALANCE
SPECIAL INCOME	
Deacon Fund	\$3,366
CIA	\$350
Youth	\$2,595
Agape School Lunches	\$0
Holiday Flowers	\$63
Outreach	\$0
Resurrection House	\$0
Missions - Clarie & Evan	\$20
Building Improvement	\$5,725
Handyman Services	\$150
Kitchen Improvement	\$304
Milton Recovery	\$15,177
Memorials	\$7,148
PJH Scholarship	\$2,500
TOTAL SPECIAL INCOME	\$37,498

OUTSTANDING BILLS		MEMO	Amount
DATE	NAME		
10/1/25	Rev. David Stone		\$2,714
10/1/25	Kayla Stone		\$1,100
TOTAL			\$3,814

INCOME REPORT

September 30, 2025

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				Should be as of report date: 75.0%			Should be: 100.0%
					Received this MONTH		
	Year Budget	RECEIVED this YEAR	(\$) Yet to Receive this Year \$ RECEIVED Over Budget	% of Budget for the YEAR		% of Budget for the MONTH	
Offering General	\$170,940	\$140,870	(\$30,070)	82.4%	\$11,463	80.5%	
Other General							
Community Meetings	\$11,500	\$6,425	(\$5,075)	55.9%	\$1,500	156.5%	
Agape Academy	\$40,000	\$27,906	(\$12,094)	69.8%	\$0	0.0%	
B Office Building 2425 sm	\$38,275	\$0	(\$38,275)	0.0%	\$0	0.0%	
A Office Building 2435 lg	\$37,209	\$28,332	(\$8,877)	76.1%	\$3,148	101.5%	
TOTAL Other General	\$126,984	\$62,663	(\$64,321)	49.3%	\$4,648	43.9%	
Benevolence							
Missions	\$16,000	\$7,260	(\$8,740)	45.4%	\$0	0.0%	
Total Benevolence	\$16,000	\$7,260	(\$8,740)	45.4%	\$0	0.0%	
TOTAL INCOME	\$313,924	\$210,793	(\$103,131)	67.1%	\$16,111	61.6%	

Other Income		
Special Income	\$24,295	\$1,700

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Sarasota First Brethren Church
SPENDING REPORT

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Should be as of report date: 75.0%				Should be: 100%	
Year Budget	SPENT this YEAR	(\$) Yet to SPEND this Year	% of Budget for the YEAR	SPENT this MONTH	% of Budget for the MONTH
SR Pastor					
Base Salary	\$26,470	\$21,102	79.7%	\$1,789	100.0%
Housing	\$45,000	\$32,500	72.2%	\$4,167	100.0%
Health Savings	\$4,600	\$3,450	75.0%	\$1,150	300.0%
Retirement	\$4,785	\$3,589	75.0%	\$1,196	300.0%
TOTAL SR Pastor	\$80,855	\$60,641	75.0%	\$8,302	123.2%
Director of Children & Youth					
Director of C&Y Salary	\$18,000	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Director of C&Y	\$18,000	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
Custodian					
Custodian Salary	\$22,254	\$23,554	105.8%	\$3,306	178.3%
Custodian Medical	\$2,160	\$400	18.5%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Custodian	\$24,414	\$23,954	98.1%	\$3,306	162.5%
Landscaper					
Landscaper Salary	\$6,000	\$221	3.7%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Landscaper	\$6,000	\$221	3.7%	\$0	0.0%
Extended Expense					
Conf Exp Pastor	\$2,400	\$1,775	74.0%	\$0	0.0%
Honorarium	\$900	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
Ministry Expense	\$100	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
Med Insurance	\$10,000	\$11,064	110.6%	\$2,346	281.5%
TOTAL Extended Expense	\$13,400	\$12,839	95.8%	\$2,346	210.1%
Social Security/FBC					
SS Sr. Pastor	\$5,467	\$4,759	87.0%	\$529	116.0%
SS Director of C&Y	\$1,377	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
SS Custodian	\$1,702	\$1,802	105.8%	\$253	178.3%
SS Landscaper	\$459	\$17	3.7%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Social Security/FBC	\$9,006	\$6,577	73.0%	\$782	104.2%
Office Expense	\$1,500	\$1,357	90.5%	\$0	0.0%
Service	\$700	\$126	18.0%	\$0	0.0%
Pastoral Care	\$300	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
Stewardship	\$600	\$486	81.0%	\$31	61.1%
Outreach					
O Agape School Lunches	\$2,000	\$0	0.0%	\$0	0.0%
O General	\$10,000	\$1,909	19.1%	\$200	24.0%
TOTAL Outreach	\$12,000	\$1,909	15.9%	\$200	20.0%

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Sarasota First Brethren Church

SPENDING REPORT

				Should be as of report date: 75.0%			Should be: 100%
		Year Budget	SPENT this YEAR	(\$) Yet to SPEND this Year	% of Budget for the YEAR	SPENT this MONTH	% of Budget for the MONTH
				\$ SPENT Over Budget			
Hospitality		\$600	(\$665)	(\$665)	-10.8%	\$0	0.0%
Congregational Enrichment		\$800	\$450	(\$350)	56.3%	\$0	0.0%
Education							
Education General		\$600	\$747	\$147	124.4%	\$0	0.0%
Education Youth		\$1,000	\$44	(\$957)	4.4%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Education		\$1,600	\$790	(\$810)	49.4%	\$0	0.0%
Property							
P Insurance		\$22,000	\$15,533	(\$6,467)	70.6%	\$0	0.0%
Taxes & Assessments		\$4,800	\$6,190	\$1,390	129.0%	\$0	0.0%
P General		\$34,500	\$37,579	\$3,079	108.9%	\$3,458	120.3%
TOTAL Property		\$61,300	\$59,303	(\$1,997)	96.7%	\$3,458	67.7%
Utilities							
Water		\$7,000	\$5,622	(\$1,378)	80.3%	\$549	94.2%
Electricity		\$18,000	\$13,177	(\$4,823)	73.2%	\$2,377	158.5%
Telephone		\$4,000	\$2,884	(\$1,116)	72.1%	\$316	94.8%
Fire Alarm		\$1,500	\$1,991	\$491	132.7%	\$0	0.0%
Waste Services		\$450	\$232	(\$218)	51.5%	\$29	77.2%
TOTAL Utilities		\$30,950	\$23,906	(\$7,044)	77.2%	\$3,272	126.8%
Benevolences							
Deacon Fund		\$6,000	\$2,440	(\$3,560)	40.7%	\$150	30.0%
Missions		\$16,000	\$6,260	(\$9,740)	39.1%	\$0	0.0%
Brethren Church National		\$2,000	\$1,500	(\$500)	75.0%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Benevolences		\$24,000	\$10,200	(\$13,800)	42.5%	\$150	7.5%
Rental Expense							
R Maint. & Misc.		\$30,000	\$1,684	(\$28,316)	5.6%	\$0	0.0%
R Taxes		\$12,000	\$7,845	(\$4,155)	65.4%	\$0	0.0%
R Sales Tax		\$2,199	\$670	(\$1,529)	30.5%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL Rental Expense		\$44,199	\$10,199	(\$33,999)	23.1%	\$0	0.0%
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$330,223	\$212,894	(\$117,329)	64.5%	\$21,847	79.4%

Budget Report 2026-2

Proposed budget for budget meeting

NPW
\$3,637.32

Needed per week	3,677.26
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	366.00 Jan - Aug'25	% of 2025 Budget	2025 Annualized	2025 Year Budget		PROPOSED 2026BUDGET
Income						
20 Offering General	129,387	76%	194,080	189,141	0	191,217
21 Other General						
20-2 Community Meetings	4,925	43%	7,388	11,500		9,000
20-5 Agape Academy	27,906	70%	41,859	40,000		40,000
20-4 B Office Building 2425 sm	0	0%	0	38,275		
20-3 A Office Building 2435 lg	25,185	68%	37,777	37,209		37,500
Total 21 Other General	58,016	46%	87,023	126,984		86,500
22 Benevolence						
22-0 Missions	6,145	38%	9,218	16,000		10,000
Total 22 Benevolence	6,145	35%	9,218	16,000		10,000
Total Income	193,047	61%	289,571	332,125		287,717
Expense						
01 SR PASTOR						
01-1 Base Salary	19,313	73%	28,970	26,470		26,470
01-2 Housing	28,333	63%	42,500	45,000		45,000
01-4 Health Savings	2,300	50%	3,450	4,600		4,600
01-5 Retirement	2,393	50%	3,589	4,785		4,785
Total 01 SR PASTOR	52,339	65%	78,509	80,855		80,855
03 Director of Children & Youth						
03-1 DoC&Y Salary	0			18,000		0
03-2 DoC&Y Med Insurance	0			0		0
03-3 DoC&Y Med Allowance	0			0		0
Total 03 Director of Children & Youth	0			18,000		0
04 CUSTODIAN						
04-1 Custodian Salary	20,248	91%	30,372	22,254		30,000
04-2 Custodian Med Insurance	400	19%		2,160		0
Total 04 CUSTODIAN	20,648	85%		24,414		30,000
04b YARD						
04-1 Yard Salary	221	4%	332	6,000		
04-2 Yard Med Insurance						
Total 04 Yard	221	4%	332	6,000		0
05 EXTENDED EXPENSE						
05-1 Mileage/Travel	0	0%	0			
05-2 Conf Exp Pastor	1,775	74%	2,662	2,400		2,400
05-3 Conf. Exp Moderator				0		0
05-4 Honorarium	0	0%	0	900		750
05-5 Ministry Expense	0	0%	0	100		100
	0	0%	0			
05-7 Continuing Ed	0	0%	0			
05-8 Med Insurance	8,718	87%	13,077	10,000		13,000
Total 05 EXTENDED EXPENSE	10,493	78%	15,739	13,400		16,250
06 SOCIAL SECURITY/FBC						
06-1 Sr. Pastor	4,230	77%	6,345	5,467		5,467.46
06-7 Director of Children & Youth	0	0%		1,377		0
06-4 Custodian	1,549	91%	2,324	1,702		2,295.00
06-5 Yard	17	4%		459		0
Total 06 SOCIAL SECURITY/FBC	5,796	64%	8,694	9,006		7,762
07 OFFICE EXPENSE	1,357	90%	2,036	1,500		1,500
08 SERVICE	126	18%	189	700		400
09 PASTORAL CARE	0	0%	0	300		0
10 STEWARDSHIP	447	75%	671	800		800
11 OUTREACH						
11-1 Agape School Lunches	0	0%	0	2,000		0
11-2 O General	1,709	17%	2,563	10,000		10,000
Total 11 OUTREACH	1,709	14%	2,563	12,000		10,000
12 HOSPITALITY	-65	-11%	-97	600		600
13 CONG ENRICHMENT	450	56%	676	500		2,100
14 EDUCATION				600		
14-1 Ed General	747	124%	0	2,000		1,500
14-2 Ed Youth	44	4%	65	1,000		500
Total 14 EDUCATION	790	49%		3,000		2,000
15 PROPERTY						
15-2 P Insurance	15,533	71%	23,300	22,000		16,000
15-3 Taxes & Assessments	6,190	129%	9,285	4,800		6,500
15-6 P General	34,121	99%	51,181	34,500		56,500
Total 15 PROPERTY	55,845	91%	83,767	61,300		79,000
16 UTILITIES						
16-1 Water	5,073	72%	7,610	7,000		7,500
16-2 Electricity	10,800	60%	16,200	18,000		17,000
16-3 Telephone	2,568	64%	3,852	4,000		4,000
16-4 Fire Alarm	1,991	133%	2,987	1,500		1,500
16-5 Waste Services	203	45%	304	450		450
Total 16 UTILITIES	20,634	67%	30,951	30,950		30,450
17 BENEVOLENCES						
17-1 Deacon Fund	2,290	38%	3,435	6,000		6,000
17-0 Missions	5,145	32%	7,718	16,000		10,000
17-5 National Church	1,000	50%	1,500	2,000		2,000
Total 17 BENEVOLENCES	8,435	35%	12,653	24,000		18,000
18 RENTAL EXPENSE						
18-4 R Maint. & Misc.	1,684	6%	2,526	30,000		0
18-3 R Taxes	7,845	65%	11,768	12,000		8,000
18-3a R Sales Tax	670	30%	1,005	2,200		0
Total 18 RENTAL EXPENSE	10,199	23%	15,299	44,200		8,000
Total Expense	189,425	57%	284,137	332,125		287,717
Net	3,623		5,434	0		0