

## November 17, 2017 Minutes of the ETS Business Meeting

The ETS Business Meeting met on Friday, November 17, 2017, in the Omni Providence Hotel in Providence, Rhode Island. Executive Committee members present were Gregg Allison, David Dockery, Michael Kruger, Scott Rae, Tom Schreiner, Sam Storms, Dan Wallace, and Bob Yarbrough. Executive Director J. Michael Thigpen was also present. Members in attendance were 158.

1. Call to order and welcome (Sam Storms). The meeting was called to order at 10:19 a.m.
2. Devotional (Michael Kruger). Michael led a Matt. 21:28-32. He referenced the first of Martin Luther's *95 Theses* and the theme of repentance: the Christian life is a life of repentance. In his parable, Jesus laid out two options: pretend one is a good son, or repent of being a bad son; the latter son is a picture of repentance. Repentance is not just recognizing one is wrong, or even feeling bad about doing wrong; rather, repentance is a turning back/around in recognition of the mercy of God. The two kinds of people in the world are not the righteous and the unrighteous, for all are unrighteous, but the pretenders and the repeneters. The latter group fall on the mercy of God expressed in Jesus Christ.

3. Michael Thigpen presented the Standing Rules for approval.

MSC that the Standing Rules be adopted

4. Adoption of the agenda (Sam)

MSC to approve the agenda as presented

5. Report of nominations committee (Dan)

2017 nominations committee:

- David Allen
- Craig Blomberg
- Darrell Bock
- Scott Rae (past president)

- Dan Wallace (past president, chairperson)

slate of the nominations committee

- PRESIDENT: David Dockery
- PRESIDENT-ELECT / PROGRAM CHAIR: Michael Kruger
- VICE-PRESIDENT: Craig Keener
- SECRETARY: Gregg Allison

continuing as past presidents

- Tom Schreiner
- Scott Rae
- Dan Wallace
- Sam Storms

election of these officers to their respective offices was declared by Sam Storms

#### 6. Election of 2018 nominations committee (Sam)

two most recent former presidents

- Sam Storms
- Dan Wallace

nominations from the floor for 3 additional members

- Jason Duesing (nominated by Wayne Grudem)
- Scott Swain (nominated by Guy Richard)
- Jim Hamilton (nominated by Steve Wellum)
- Sandy Glahn (nominate by Dan Wallace)

vote results (123 total)

- Jason Duesing (123)
- Scott Swain (103)

- Jim Hamilton (98)
- Sand Glahn (50)
- no ballots were rejected

a. Membership committee

current members

- Gregg Allison (*ex officio*)
- Ben Merkle
- Jason Duesing
- Jim Hamilton
- Dana Harris
- Rob Plummer--rotating off
- Denny Burke--rotating off

nominations from the floor for two members

- Dorian Coover-Cox (53)
- Owen Strachan (62)
- Helene Dallaire (16)
- Jeffrey Wattington (29)

vote results

- Dorian Coover-Cox
- Owen Strachan

Sam declared this slate of the membership committee adopted.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregg R. Allison

Secretary, ETS

