

**AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES OF RHODE ISLAND
BOARD OF MINISTRIES SPECIAL MEETING
December 16, 2023**

Minutes

A special meeting of the ABCORI Board of Ministries was held by Zoom on December 16, 2023.

Present: Rev. Dr. Cal Lord, President; Eva Irby-Davis, Vice President; David Dolce, Treasurer; Lynne Linden, Clerk; Rev. Dr. Courtney Davis Olds, Executive Minister; Beth Berry, Darin Collins, Joanne Brown, and George Barclay.

Call to Order: President Cal Lord called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM once it was determined a quorum of voting members was present.

Opening prayer: Rev. Lord opened the meeting with a prayer.

Cal Lord stated that the special meeting of the Board of Ministries was called to consider a motion proposed by the Finance Committee and approved by the Executive Council on December 13, 2023. A background summary had been emailed to the BOM members on December 15th.

Motion: That ABCORI authorize the sale of the property it owns at 484 Fairview Ave, Coventry, which has been occupied by Quidnick Baptist Society, for the buyer's proposed price of \$475,000; that proceeds from the sale be split 50-50 with Quidnick Baptist Society, which owns the adjacent property that is included in the purchase price; and that ABCORI's attorney be authorized to negotiate, if needed, ABCORI's proceeds from the sale to a net minimum amount of \$200,000 after closing costs and attorney fees.

A second to the motion was not needed as the motion was made by the Finance Committee. As there was no further discussion, George Barclay moved that a vote be taken and this was seconded by Joanne Brown.

The motion was passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Adjournment: Joanne Brown moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 AM. The motion was passed by a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Linden

Clerk