Minutes
Executive Council Brethren Church
June 9, 2026

PRESENT: John Pitcock, Kaye Matthews, Martha Stone, Ruth Paine-Shay, Pastor Stone, Dorothy Dekmar and Carolyn Solomon.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM with an opening prayer by Ruth Shay.

PASTOR'S REPORT: See attached.
OUTREACH: Working on the Movie Night outreach. Suggestion that a space be available for a parent to take a child if necessary during the film night.
CONGREGATIONAL ENRICHMENT: nursery going well – will get Clorax wipes for their use.
EDUCATION: no report
HOSPITALITY: A carry-in meal for Memorial Day was enjoyed by all.
SERVICE: see attached.
PROPERTY: See attached. Also, need to have the church tented. MSC to accept the bid of slightly under $20,000.00. Also, an A/C will need to be replaced at the Daycare.
STEWARDSHIP: no report
FINANCIAL SECRETARY: See attached. Holding our own at this time.
TREASURER'S REPORT: See attached.
OLD BUSINESS: None.
NEW BUSINESS:

1. MSC for June's mission offering be for the California Brethren and Central American churches.
2. MSC to help Rebecca and David Ibuid with their needs in moving as our July mission offering.

MSC to appoint Jill as lay delegate to National Conference.

MSC to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM with a closing prayer by Pastor Stone.

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn Solomon
Recording Secretary

Executive Council Minutes

April 7, 2026

PRESENT: John Pitcock, Grant Showalter, Jennifer Showalter, Cindy Showalter. Pastor Stone, and Carolyn Solomon

Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm with opening prayer by Pastor Stone.

PASTOR'S REPORT -See attached.

OUTREACH: No report.

CONG. ENRICHMENT: No report.

EDUCATION: No report.

PROPERTY: See attached -MSC to appoint Dorothy Dekmar as head of Ministry of Property.

STEWARDSHIP: Review for 2025 financial records needs to be done – files are in the office – MSC to ask Mike Funkhouser to head this recview.

HOSPITALITY: We had a lovely EASTER breakfast.

MINISTRY OF SERVICE: This ministry met and have decided to bless a person/household each month.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW Business: MSC to make Spain the mission offering for April and Paraguay for May.

MSC to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 PM with a closing prayer by Grant Showalter.

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn Solomon

Recording Secretary

Pastor's Report

First Brethren Church of Sarasota
Executive Council
June 2026

Report on April/May goals

- The Emmaus Bible study went fine.
- Camp is canceled due to few campers.

Goals for June/July

- Success of family movie night.

Weekly Activities April/May

- Sunday worship practice at 8:30 A.M.
- Children Sunday school class helper.
- Build presentation slides for worship.
- Sunday 10:00 A.M. worship & live stream.
- Nightly 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 April/May

- Executive Council.
- Easter breakfast and service.
- Showfolks Circus Club prayer (2)
- Agape School board meeting (2).
- Replaced two LED light tubes.
- Agape school graduation message.
- One baptism: Milena Bozek.
- Hosted Scott Soden, Director of Global Partners for the Brethren Church.
- Attended Memorial Day dinner.
- Planned for Family Movie Night.
- Replaced almost all outside lights on fellowship hall.
- Replaced LED tubes in fellowship hall that were burned out.
- Helped Grant break out concrete pillar that had been hit by a vehicle.
- Had a technician fix doors in the fellowship hall.
- Repaired outside wall on fellowship hall.
- Repaired end of fellowship hall condensate drain pipe.
- Property Ministry meeting.
- Purchased a new printer for the office.
- Congregational meeting that failed.
- Special called congregational meeting.

Membership changes

- Milena Bozek.

Vacation/sick days

- None.

Comments

I have been extremely busy in this two month period. Between the special Emmaus Bible Study, Easter, and all the maintenance work about the buildings, I have always had some project to accomplish. We have also had many people in the hospital.

The first movie night was very successful. I hope we can build on that during this summer.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor David

New Business

- Mission offering for June/July.
  - Conference offering for a partnership between the California Brethren and Central American churches.
  - Relocation expenses for David and Rebecca Abuid.
- Termite tenting.
- AC on daycare building.
- Conference representative.

First Brethren Church Property Ministry Meeting

May 8th, 2026, Pastor Stone's House 6:00 pm.
Dorothy and Dave Dekmar, Todd Helmuth, ~~Josh Pawelski,~~ Grant Showalter, David Stone.

We will meet Every other month on the last Wednesday of the month.
We will be planning a few workdays in the coming months to include all church members. We will plan on having work to do for all levels of capabilities. Lunch will be served. Dates will be set at the next meeting.

Pastor Stone does get requests from people who need volunteer hours. He will let us know when that is available and will coordinate.

It was agreed at the meeting that text group is the best communication, and everyone needs to reply to questions with a yes or no or thumbs up or thumbs down emoji to answer.

We discussed the following To Do list of items that need to be dealt with. Some items were scheduled after the meeting and before the notes got out.

TO DO LIST

1. Back of the pews cleaned, all pencil drawings and marks wiped clean with Mr. Clean magic eraser.
2. Check Bible racks are free of trash and replace foam as needed. **Pastor Dave will measure and order the foam.**
3. Third pew from the back on the left squeaks. **Grant will check the screws.**
4. Adjust shades to be pulled at the same level.
5. Scrub the bottom of the walls of the inside of the church. **Dave will research cleaning supplies.**
6. Rain gutters need all the pine needles removed. **Grant will take care of this.**
7. Power wash all church windows. Remove dirt dobbers.
8. Power wash all sidewalks.
9. Power wash all square blocks with lights at all entrances.
10. Remove the pine tree near North exit and the pine tree behind the cottage. Check Dorothys Moms and Aunt Joans Tree. **A1 Tree Service will remove both pine trees for $2,200 and trim the top of Dorothys family tree for free in May 2026.**
11. Check all pine trees that could fall on anything that could damage the church property. Members will do a walk around.
12. Roof for school will be done over the summer. Voted approved to bring before the Congregational meeting.
13. *Roof over the sanctuary and office will be done when money is raised.*
14. Floor in the fellowship hall needs the top layer removed, cleaned and resealed. **Dave, Grant and Pastor Dave will look for chemicals and Dave will check on rental machines and Dorothy will get three quotes for someone to do it.**

15. Leaking Baptism pool needs to be fixed properly, the way it should have been done when it was installed.
16. Fence along the East area of the corner of the parking lot to hide the house with all the cars in the yard. **H and Y Fence will do an estimate on 5-20-2026 with Pastor Dave.**
17. Check into getting insurance.
18. Remove weeds at the Cross and bench. Add pavers and rocks. **Dave will get prices.**
19. Mowing and weed eating schedule.
20. The boards for windows by school office door, in the area between church and daycare. **Cindy's teachers husband Josh will move the boards to the shed. Pastor Dave approved.**
21. There is an area on the side of the building that has lumber, painting barrels, scaffolding, etc. That has been there for a while. **Cindy's teachers husband Josh will clean up the area. Approved by Pastor Dave.**
23. Look into protective covers for the chair legs in the fellowship hall. **Grant will look into this.**
24. Look into rental prices for power washers. **Dorothy Prices were looked up and compared for purchasing. The team voted to purchase a power washer and chemicals on a text. Grant will order and pick up from Lowes.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:55
Pastor closed in prayer

Completed items for the Ministry Maintenance Team May through June 2026.

Shades to be pulled at the same level. Rain Gutter near the office cleared of pine needles. Square cement block on the exit on Shade removed. Pine trees removed, one in the North side parking lot and one behind the cottage. The boards for windows by school office door in the area between church and daycare removed. Plywood used for daycare windows for hurricane put away. Area on the side of the building that has lumber, painting barrels, scaffolding, etc put away. Trim palms, load trailer with yard waste and broken cement pieces. Trailer emptied for free at Community Clean Up Day.

Pending

Back of the pews cleaned with magic erasers. Second pew on the left in the back has drawings on it.
Check the Bible racks for trash. Check the foam and replace if needed.
Third pew from the back on the left, closest to the wall, pew support squeaks loud when you move.
Scrub the bottom of all inside the church walls.
Floor in the hall needs the top layer removed, cleaned and resealed.
Leaking Baptism pool needs to be fixed properly, the way it should have been done when it was installed.
Remove weeds at the Cross and bench. Add pavers and rocks.
Mowing and weed eating schedule
Fire inspection with the school. Work needs to be done in the next two weeks.
Playground AC drainage broken.
Church front entry has termites.
Fence along the East area of the corner of the parking lot to hide the house with all the cars in the yard.
Rain gutters near the school.
Community Clean Up Day 8-22-2026
Community Clean Up Day 10-3-2026
Plan for 2027 Budget
Finish Terrys budget approved list for 2026.
We will have a few workdays. Including with the church membership. Lunch will be served. Date will be set at the next meeting.

Next work day

Power wash church windows. Remove dirt dobber nets.
Power wash side walks around church.
Power wash square light posts at all entrances.
Power wash First Brethren Church sign in front of the church. Check bench and cross for cleaning.
Check all pine trees that could fall on anything that could damage the church property. Members will do a walk around.

Ministry of Service meeting - 5/12/2026 9 am

Present: Jeanne Lindsey, Cindy Showalter, Ron Haynes, Betty Ray, Iris Helmuth.
Jane Showalter and Carolyn Solomon were absent.

Meeting was begun with prayer and review of 1 Timothy 3:8-13.

Also reviewed the constitution to discern our role more clearly.

All agreed that people attending need to know who we are and who to contact with any needs, financial, spiritual, or otherwise. New or current members need to be encouraged to seek us out for any church issues they may not understand, or if they need more information about us. The need also was felt by the group to mingle more with attendees, new members, etc at church, dinners, and activities so no one feels left out, but truly loved and cared for. In order to encourage and help them to know us better it was strongly felt we all need to wear name tags at church. We also wish to have a short paragraph in the bulletin listing our names and perhaps posted in the foyer with a small picture and phone number for easy recognition.

Our desire is to assist the pastor in the care of our church people, and to be available whenever needed to help out. We desire to provide Christ-like care for any spiritual or temporal needs of new members and visitors.

All present agreed to certain duties: including communion, visitation, assisting with baptism, anointing, laying on of hands, etc. as needed.

Our desire is to serve God and the church to the best of our ability.

Next meeting is set for July 7.

Financial Secretary Report

Offering budget/month: $16,225.00

April 2026

Fund	***Source***	
Evan & Claire		**$20.00**
Offering	$20.00	
General		**$24,911.07**
MNMG	$800.00	
Offering	$15,267.00	
Play&Grow	$3,101.05	
Reimbursement	$1,707.02	
Rent Agape	$4,036.00	
Missions		**$565.00**
Offering	$565.00	
Pastor Supp.		**$1,200.00**
Offering	$1,200.00	
Roof		**$1,365.00**
Offering	$1,365.00	

May 2026

Fund	***Source***	
Evan & Claire		**$20.00**
Offering	$20.00	
General		**$18,577.90**
MNMG	$400.00	
Offering	$15,076.85	
Play&Grow	$3,101.05	
Loan Repayment		**$5,000.00**
Offering	$5,000.00	
Missions		**$670.00**
Offering	$670.00	
Movie night		**$850.00**
Offering	$850.00	
Paraguay		**$780.00**
Offering	$780.00	
Pastor Supp.		**$1,200.00**
Offering	$1,200.00	
Roof		**$4,188.01**
Offering	$4,188.01	

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BALANCE SHEET

CURRENT ASSETS	
Checking/Savings	
Everence FCU	
EFCU - Unrestricted	$8,482
EFCU - Special	$43,831
TOTAL Everence FCU	$52,313
EFCU - Capital Savings	$3
EFCU - Peru Savings	$25
TOTAL Checking/Savings	$52,341

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SPECIALS BALANCE

SPECIAL INCOME	
Deacon Fund	$3,866
CIA	$350
Youth	$2,595
Agape School Lunches	$0
Holiday Flowers	$61
Outreach	$850
Resurrection House	$0
Missions - Clarie & Evan	$0
Building Improvement /Roof	$26,007
Handyman Services	$150
Kitchen Improvement	$304
Milton Recovery	$0
Memorials	$7,148
PJH Scholarship	$2,500
TOTAL SPECIAL INCOME	$43,831

OUTSTANDING BILLS

DATE	NAME	MEMO	Amount
6/1/26	Rev. David Stone		$2,875
6/1/26	Kayla Stone		$1,200
TOTAL			$4,075

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INCOME REPORT

Should be as of report date: 41.6%

Should be: 100.0%

	Year Budget	RECEIVED this YEAR	($) Yet to Receive this Year $ RECEIVED Over Budget	% of Budget for the YEAR	Received this MONTH	% of Budget for the MONTH
Offering General	$194,700	$97,073	($97,627)	49.9%	$13,728	84.6%
Other General						
Community Meetings	$9,000	$2,700	($6,300)	30.0%	$400	53.3%
Agape Academy	$40,000	$25,163	($14,837)	62.9%	$5,000	150.0%
A Office Building 2435 lg	$37,500	$15,505	($21,995)	41.3%	$3,101	99.2%
TOTAL Other General	$86,500	$43,368	($43,132)	50.1%	$8,501	117.9%
Benevolence						
Missions	$10,000	$3,227	($6,773)	32.3%	$1,450	174.0%
Total Benevolence	$10,000	$3,227	($6,773)	32.3%	$1,450	174.0%
TOTAL INCOME	$291,200	$143,668	($147,532)	49.3%	$23,679	97.6%

Other Income		
Special Income	$15,456	$6,258

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SPENDING REPORT

Should be as of report date: 41.6%

Should be: 100%

	Year Budget	SPENT this YEAR	($) Yet to SPEND this Year $ SPENT Over Budget	% of Budget for the YEAR	SPENT this MONTH	% of Budget for the MONTH
SR Pastor						
Base Salary	$24,705	$10,294	($14,411)	41.7%	$2,059	100.0%
Housing	$50,000	$20,833	($29,167)	41.7%	$4,167	100.0%
Health Savings	$4,600	$3,833	($767)	83.3%	$2,683	700.0%
Retirement	$4,785	$0	($4,785)	0.0%	$0	0.0%
TOTAL SR Pastor	$84,090	$34,960	($49,130)	41.6%	$8,909	127.1%
Custodian						
Custodian Salary	$30,000	$12,409	($17,591)	41.4%	$2,907	116.3%
TOTAL Custodian	$30,000	$12,409	($17,591)	41.4%	$2,907	116.3%
Extended Expense						
Conf Exp Pastor	$2,400	$2,067	($333)	86.1%	$0	0.0%
Honorarium	$750	$0	($750)	0.0%	$0	0.0%
Ministry Expense	$100	$0	($100)	0.0%	$0	0.0%
Med Insurance	$13,000	$7,038	($5,962)	54.1%	$2,346	216.6%
TOTAL Extended Expense	$16,250	$9,105	($7,145)	56.0%	$2,346	173.2%
Social Security/FBC						
SS Sr. Pastor	$5,715	$2,381	($3,334)	41.7%	$476	100.0%
SS Custodian	$2,295	$1,060	($1,235)	46.2%	$222	116.3%
TOTAL Social Security/FBC	$8,010	$3,442	($4,568)	43.0%	$699	104.7%
Office Expense	$1,500	$779	($721)	51.9%	$633	506.8%
Service	$400	$0	($400)	0.0%	$0	0.0%
Stewardship	$800	$491	($309)	61.4%	$0	0.0%
Outreach	$10,000	$150	($9,850)	1.5%	$0	0.0%

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SPENDING REPORT

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Should be: 100%

	Year Budget	SPENT this YEAR	($) Yet to SPEND this Year $ SPENT Over Budget	% of Budget for the YEAR	SPENT this MONTH	% of Budget for the MONTH
Hospitality	$600	$318	($282)	53.0%	$318	635.6%
Congregational Enrichment	$2,100	$289	($1,811)	13.8%	$75	42.9%
Education						
Education General	$1,500	$463	($1,037)	30.9%	$0	0.0%
Education Youth	$500	$0	($500)	0.0%	$0	0.0%
TOTAL Education	$2,000	$463	($1,537)	23.2%	$0	0.0%
Property						
P Insurance	$16,000	$29,772	$13,772	186.1%	$0	0.0%
Taxes & Assesments	$6,500	$6,960	$460	107.1%	$0	0.0%
P General	$56,500	$17,168	($39,332)	30.4%	$1,788	38.0%
TOTAL Property	$79,000	$53,900	($25,100)	68.2%	$1,788	27.2%
Utilities						
Water	$7,500	$2,737	($4,763)	36.5%	$527	84.3%
Electricity	$17,000	$6,270	($10,730)	36.9%	$1,351	95.4%
Telephone	$4,000	$1,649	($2,351)	41.2%	$342	102.5%
Fire Alarm	$1,500	$1,586	$86	105.7%	$0	0.0%
Waste Services	$450	$165	($285)	36.7%	$73	195.1%
TOTAL Utilities	$30,450	$12,407	($18,043)	40.7%	$2,293	90.4%
Benevolences						
Deacon Fund	$6,000	$750	($5,250)	12.5%	$150	30.0%
Missons	$10,000	$3,227	($6,773)	32.3%	$1,450	174.0%
Brethren Church National	$2,000	$1,000	($1,000)	50.0%	$500	300.0%
TOTAL Benevolences	$18,000	$4,977	($13,023)	27.7%	$2,100	140.0%
Rental Expense						
R Taxes	$8,000	$8,406	$406	105.1%	$0	0.0%
TOTAL Rental Expense	$8,000	$8,406	$406	105.1%	$0	0.0%
TOTAL EXPENSE	$291,200	$142,095	($149,105)	48.8%	$22,068	90.9%