

**Minutes of the 2019 Annual Session of
Robertson Baptist Association**

October 15, 2019

Robertson County Cowboy Church, Franklin, TX

Presiding over the meeting was Vice Moderator James Hooper, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hearne.

James Hooper read Psalm 96 and offered our thanks for RCCC hosting the meeting tonight. And led in opening prayer.

The Robertson County Cowboy Church Band led singing, Blessed Assurance.

James Hooper seated the messengers.

Gordon Knight highlighted the Disaster Relief work that SBTC is doing from Franklin to El Paso and again in the Vidor area.

Tim Marrow reported on the River Ministry, that has been part of Texas Baptists for 51 years.

Mike Wilson reported that 10,500 campers passed through Latham Springs this summer and 705 made decisions to follow Jesus into salvation.

McKenzie Muzzy brought her greetings and appreciation for Robertson Association from the Baptist Student Ministries. They have branched out to Rellis campus with a coffee & donuts Bible Study. VIVA is a group for Hispanic students. Explore is a group for International students with about 30 attending. There are 50 new students at Blinn.

Pat Knowlton, Director of Missions shared his appreciation for a great year. Traveling throughout the whole area from Buckholts to Belville and McDade to Easterly. He and Sherri have been familiarizing themselves with the area, people and pastors. We have evaluated how FIRM is doing Missions. This coming year we are planning and preparing. Our focus for VBS training will be on Backyard Bible Clubs, putting together a team or two that can go into our smaller, older churches and hold a meeting. Partnering with churches in Western, rural Colorado is in the works. Helping each Association find their Mission focus.

Approval of the minutes from last year, unanimous.

2020 slate of Officers was accepted and unanimously approved.

Sherri Knowlton gave a finance report, thanked the churches for their generous, consistent giving. 2020 Budget recommendation was approved unanimously.

2020 Calendar was approved unanimously, And the Preacher Place and Time committee was appointed.

There was a break, since we were so far ahead of schedule.

Music by the RCCC Band and song congregational singing.

Annual Sermon was by Jimmy Sanders, Pastor of Robertson County Cowboy Church.

Matthew 22:15-21 was the text

Jimmy tackled the elephant in the room by speaking on politics, not from a Republican perspective or a Democrat perspective but from a Christian perspective. What is the Christian's role?

Financially, pay for our government. If the government is under god's authority and you cheat the government, you are cheating God.

Faithfully pray for our government. Instead of complaining, pray for them. The more you dislike a leader, the more you should pray for them.

Fully participate. Vote responsibly, not just by party line, but look at how they vote and what they are for and against.

Fearlessly preach to our government. Speak up about Jesus. Whatever is morally wrong cannot be politically correct.

Jesus is coming soon.

Pray for our leaders every time you pick up a coin.

Closing prayer by Jimmy, along with directions for the dinner serving line.

The Time, Place and Preacher committee announced they would like to have the 2020 annual meeting at FBC Franklin and ask Bronson ???their new pastor to bring the annual sermon.

Dinner followed, Lasagna, Salad and wonderful sweets were provided!

Approximate number in attendance: 45