



West Shore Evangelical Free Church
Congregational Meeting Minutes
June 7, 2026
6:00 PM

Opening:

Worship in song led by Lisa Schumaker

Opening Prayer:

Dave Baechtle

Call to Order:

by Dave Baechtle, Chairman of the Elder Board, 6:10 P.M.

Quorum:

A quorum was affirmed by Wendell Witter

New Members

The following were presented and recommended to the Congregation by the Elder Board for membership. Dave Baechtle invited all new members to introduce themselves and give a brief testimony as to their decision to become a member of West Shore.

Will Aberle	Dawn & Dave Hazen	Jeffery & Patricia Niemtiz
Chelsea & Matthew Cambria	Brianna & Eric Helton	Dan & Karen Paulus
John & Teddi Condon	Robert Hugar	Andy & Karen Priego
Kasi Conjack	Catherine & Tyler Long	Bryan Reynolds
Darrell & Pat Curtis	Paul & Samantha Mariano	Olivia & Roman Richichi
Kris Gonzalez	Linsey & Matthew Miller	Heather & Jonah Steiner
Camron Good	Josh & Laura Murray	
Dawn & Tom Gugliuzza	Jack & Morgan Newkirk	

Motion: *That the above candidates be approved for membership
 (Member of Congregation / Member of Congregation 2nd)*

Action: Approved by unanimous voice vote

Acknowledgement of Elders going off the Board

Dave Baechtle acknowledged Dave Mills & John Nesbitt for their faithful and excellent service on the elder board.



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Elder Elections:

The following board-approved men were presented to the congregation for election to the board of elders to begin their respective terms of service immediately.

Jeff Hahn (1st Term)
Dave Baechtle (2nd Term)
Wendell Witter (2nd Term)

Motion: *That the above candidates be approved for service on the Board of Elders.*
 (Member of Congregation / Member of Congregation 2nd)

Action: Approved by written ballot vote

Elder Nominating Committee:

Board-approved candidates for the 2026/2027 Elder Nominating Committee were presented to the congregation by Dave Baechtle.

Taylor Caudill
Janet Davis
Heather Hutchison
Richard Settle

Motion: *That the above candidates be approved for service on the Elder Nominating*
 Committee.
 (Member of Congregation / Member of Congregation 2nd)

Action: Approved by written ballot vote

New Elder Nominations:

Dave Baechtle explained the elder nomination process to the congregation and encouraged everyone to begin prayerfully nominating eligible men throughout the next several months. Open nominations will close in September.



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2026 – 2027 Budget:

Tim Ryan presented the board-approved budget of \$6,414,682.00 for the coming year and answered questions from the congregation.

Motion: *That the 2026/2027 budget be approved as presented.*
 (Member of Congregation / Member of Congregation 2nd)

Action: Approved by written ballot vote

Church Life Update:

Pastor Trent Thompson finished off our meeting with some brief remarks and guided us in a time of prayer over our staff and elders as we enter into this next season.

Closing Prayer:

Dave Baechtle

Adjourned: 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wendell Witter, Secretary