

**MORRISON CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
MORRISON ACADEMY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

MINUTES

October 2nd, 2009 (10:00 a.m.)
System Services, Taichung Campus

Trustees present: Mark McCrary (via video conference)
Laura Spinella (serving as acting Chairman)
Barry Owen
Don Bettinger
Melody Penney
Ron West
Beth Williamson

Associate Trustees present: Jim Andrews
David Eastwood
Alicia Edwards (via video conference)
Leslie Powell

Others present: Tim McGill
Michele Law
Paul Campey

Last Action: **09-28**

The Board joined the Morrison staff members for worship and a devotional by Denny Craker.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Laura Spinella, acting Chairman for today's meeting.

Laura Spinella led the Trustees in a time of prayer.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA
09-29**

MOTION PREVAILED, to approve the agenda, as presented.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES
09-30**

MOTION PREVAILED, to approve the minutes of September 8, 2009, with two grammatical corrections. On page one, in the second paragraph, change feed to fed and change the period to a comma after 5,000.

Administrative Reports

Tim McGill shared some of the tools that the Bethany campus is using for distance learning. Tim presented some examples of mission and vision statements from several other Christian schools similar to Morrison. The mission and vision statements presented were only one sentence in length.

Morrison's goal is to receive certification from the Child Safety Protection Network and the administration is taking steps toward that goal. There is a list of Best Practice Standards that can be met without a huge cost to Morrison. Over the next year or so, these standards will be put in place.

The system calendar was presented and discussed.

Michele Law gave the financial report. Preliminary budget goals were presented. The budget will take into account a very slight decrease in enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year. A Director of Communication will be added. Some minor program changes are projected.

At the end of August, 2009, the total income is 52% of the budget, higher than last year's benchmark. Total expenses are 18% of budget, the same as last year's benchmark. The total enrollment is at 827, which is about 1% over the budget enrollment of 821. The total construction loans borrowed as of October 1, 2009, came to about NT127 million. Total loans expected are NT187 million, less than the NT189 million authorized by the Board. The projected loan repayment period is 7 years.

A report was made concerning Dee Falk's accident settlement.

Committee Reports

The Leadership Committee presented their report. Ron West shared the committee's goals. The committee discussed the process for developing a Core Values Statement. Board goals were discussed.

**APPROVAL OF BOARD GOALS FOR
THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR
09-31**

Motion prevailed, to accept the Board goals for the 2009-2010 school year, as presented.

BOARD GOALS FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

1. Adopt a set of core values for the school.
2. Explore methods of communicating the school's vision to its stakeholders and ensure that they are implemented.
3. Review policy in light of the declining enrollment of missionary children.

The Finance Committee presented their report. The committee's goals were discussed. It was noted in the review of financial procedures that consideration will need to be given to the impact of the government's new policy to tax elementary and middle school teachers next year. The committee reviewed the alumni scholarship applications and also a proposal for annual fund projects. Budget goals for 2010-2011 were reviewed. It was noted that the Chiayi satellite will decrease to one classroom next school year.

The Policy Committee presented their report. Committee goals were read. The committee has begun work on reviewing and revising the 2000 policy series.

New Business

Paul Campey, our special speaker for this year's Board PD day, worked together with the Trustees to refine the core values of Morrison Academy that were developed at this year's Board retreat. There was also discussion and prayer regarding the Morrison mission statement. The mission statement and the core values of Morrison Academy are referred to the Leadership Committee for further review.

Trustee Evaluation

The retreat was wonderful. A special thanks goes to Tim and Bonnie McGill for the accommodations and food. The board appreciated Paul Campey's expertise and advice. It was great to be with the Morrison staff for the morning worship.

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Board Secretary
Melody Penney