

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

MINUTES

May 19, 2015 (9:30 a.m.)
Taichung System Services

Trustees present: Mark Dinnage
Peter Dodd
Jeremy Hsu
Barry Owen (via Skype)
Rob Riley
Don Bettinger
Isomi Saito
Bev McCrary

Associate Trustees present: Cheryl Dunn
David Eastwood
Alicia Edwards
Sarah Clemente

Others present: Tim McGill
Brian Jones
Matt Strange
Matt Sawatzky

Last Action: **15-19**

Mark Dinnage led the Board in a devotional by first asking the question "what makes Morrison different?" He turned to Deuteronomy 16 to discuss the parallels between Shavuot and Pentecost - specifically how these two festivals demonstrate how God's people are set apart from everyone else.

Alicia then led the Board in a time of prayer.

The trustees met with their accountability partners. Don Bettinger shared some reflections related to his years of serving on the Board. He encouraged trustees to continue to have good communication and be unified as a board. Don was commended for his outstanding years of service. Rob Riley prayed a blessing for the Bettinger family.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA
15-20**

MOTION PREVAILED to accept the agenda with the following changes:

- #4255 Transferable Corporate Debentures was added to the discussion agenda.
- #6130 Home Boarding was moved from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda.
- #1350 Communication Committee was moved from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda.
- #5610 Student Activities was moved from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda.

**APPROVAL OF
CONSENT AGENDA
15-21**

MOTION PREVAILED to approve the consent agenda, including the following resolutions:

- approval of the March 31, 2015 Board Minutes
- acceptance of the Administrative report, as written
- acceptance of the accreditation REACH Self Study
- acceptance of the May 5th Leadership Committee Minutes
- acceptance of the May 5th Finance Committee Minutes
- acceptance of the May 12th Policy Committee Minutes, including the following policy revisions:
 - o #1330 Governance Committee (and related policies reflecting the name change)
 - o #3020 Christian Behavior and Professional Ethics

Executive Committee selection

The Executive Committee 2015/2016 fiscal year was appointed by the Board Chair: Barry Owen (chair), Mark Dinnage, Jeremy Hsu, and Bev McCrary

Superintendent Evaluation

The Leadership Committee presented and led discussion on the Board evaluation of Tim McGill as Superintendent. Tim was highly commended for his excellent servant leadership. We have been very grateful for Tim McGill's ability to put systems in place to complete the goals placed before him. Jeremy Hsu then prayed for the McGill family.

The Board had lengthy, prayerful discussion regarding #3020 Christian Behavior and Professional Ethics in regard to marital separation.

Some additional time was spent discussing Transferable Corporate Debentures versus Annual Corporate Debentures.

**APPROVAL OF
ANNUAL CORPORATE
DEBENTURES
15-22**

MOTION PREVAILED to authorize the administration to issue up to ten (10) Annual Corporate Debentures for the 2015-2016 school year. Governance Committee is directed to revise policy #4255 to reflect this in policy.

**APPROVAL OF
#1350 COMMUNICATION
COMMITTEE
15-23**

MOTION PREVAILED to approve policy #1350 Communication Committee.

1350 Communication Committee

For each campus a trustee will be appointed by the Board Chair to serve as the most visible representative of the Board on that campus. The Committee's duties are:

1. Organize and oversee the Staff Appreciation Dinner and Senior Reception for their campus of responsibility. This will also mean coordinating with the Board Chair and other Committee members on the theme, budget, and other ideas.
2. Intentionally develop relationships with the staff, parents and students on their campus of responsibility to communicate the core values and vision of Morrison Academy.
3. Be aware of and ensure Trustee participation in as many activities as possible on their campus of responsibility.
4. Be aware of governance related issues on their campus of responsibility and communicate items of significance to the Board Chair and/or Board.

**APPROVAL OF
#5610 STUDENT ACTIVITIES
15-24**

MOTION PREVAILED to approve policy #5610 Student Activities.

5610 STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Consistent with its stated philosophy, goals and objectives, and in accordance with established regulations, Morrison Academy will provide a variety of athletic, social, cultural, and recreational activities for the development of students. There will be no school-initiated student activities on Sunday. An exception can be made by the Board Chair for a Sunday evening Christ-honoring event.

**APPROVAL OF
#6130 STUDENT ACTIVITIES
15-25**

MOTION PREVAILED to approve policy #6130
HOME BOARDING as recommended by the Policy
Committee.

The board goals for the 2014-2015 were reviewed and the following new goals were set for 2015-2016 school year:

1. Review the implementation of the Purpose Statement and Vision Statement
2. Pursue high school programs on all three campuses that align with the Vision and Purpose of Morrison Academy
3. Strategic planning for school sustainability
4. Superintendent succession process

Alicia Edwards was commended for her good, strong leadership as board chair over the past three years.

The meeting was closed in prayer at 3:58 p.m. by Sarah Clemente.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Dinnage
Board Secretary