

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

**MINUTES**

May 17, 2016 (9:30 a.m.)  
Taipei

**Trustees present:** Mark Dinnage  
Peter Dodd  
Beverly McCrary  
Barry Owen  
Rob Riley  
Isomi Saito  
Joseph Swanson

**Associate Trustees present:** Cheryl Dunn  
David Eastwood  
Will McKelleher  
Gretchen Ryan

**Consultant present:** Alicia Edwards

**Others present:** Tim McGill  
Matt Sawatzky  
Ruth Ullstrom  
Susanna Myburgh

**Last Action:** **16-19**

Bev led the Board in a devotional about the difference between being led and being driven from Psalm 23 and John 10. When we are being led, we are more gently brought to where we need to go like a shepherd leading his sheep. It is affirming and more freeing. When we are being driven, we are pushed from behind - goaded and whipped like cattle. In summary, we need to be led by the Holy Spirit rather than being pushed by this world. She closed with Romans 8:14.

Barry led the Board in a time of prayer for the three campuses, students, staff, fellow board members and some like-minded schools in Asia.

The Board welcomed Ruth Ullstrom as a new trustee and then met in their accountability groups.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND  
CONSENT AGENDA  
16-20**

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

- approval of the March 15, 2016 Board Minutes
- acceptance of the Administrative report, as written
- acceptance of the 2015/2016 SIP Summary and Evidence (accreditation report)
- acceptance of the May 6th Finance Committee Minutes
- acceptance of the May 10th Governance Committee Minutes
- approval of the following policy revisions:
  - 1110 Qualifications of Individual Trustees
  - 6220 Priority System
  - 4296 Investments
  - 6240 Grade Level Requirement
  - 2011 Organization Chart
  - 2031 System Administrative Council (SAC)
  - 3613 Superintendent-Responsibilities and Duties
  - 1030 Duties of the Board of Trustees
  - 4511 Morrison Christian Association Property Trust Agreements (deletion)

Susanna Myburgh shared a story about one of the families on the Morrison Academy Taipei campus and how this family has been affected by the Christian community. Then she shared part of the vision for the high school program.

Executive Committee selection:

The Executive Committee 2016/2017 fiscal year was appointed by the Board Chair:

Barry Owen (chair)  
Mark Dinnage  
Rob Riley  
Bev McCrary

Committee Chair selections:

Bev McCrary - Finance Committee chair  
Cheryl Dunn - Governance Committee chair

Superintendent Evaluation:

Cheryl Dunn led the Board in a discussion regarding the Superintendent evaluation, then Tim McGill was brought back into the conference room for his many commendations. For next year the Board recommends searching out strategies that will enhance collaboration among the three Morrison campuses and exploring new methods to promote the spiritual health of our communities. Tim was commended for his leading our school with a love, a loyalty, and a passion that is clear for all to see. His servant heart, Godly wisdom, and personal faith are an inspiration and example to all of us on the board and to all who work at Morrison, both staff and administration. His dedication to

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Morrison’s staff and administration is evident in the way he encourages, in the way he shares insights, in the way he shows trust, and in the stability he gives through listening and mentoring. Bonnie McGill was also commended for her faithful service and leadership as well.

In addition to the designated funds, gifts were collected from the Board and staff on all three campuses. Then, via Skype, Bonnie McGill was presented with gift from the Benevolence Fund to help offset the cost of her oral surgeries.

**APPROVAL OF  
EXCEPTION TO POLICY #5220  
AGE FOR ENTRANCE  
16-22**

**MOTION PREVAILED** to authorize an exception to allow for the admission of kindergarten applicants who will have their fifth birthday in September 2016.

**Setting 2016/2017 Board Goals:**

- Professional Development
  - Read “Mission Drift”
  - At annual fall retreat engage in generative thinking in the area of mission drift and member care
- Morrison Community Connections & Strategic Planning for Mission Sustainability -
  - Address and research the subject of “Mission Drift”
  - Meet with the missions community at each campus area
- Monitor and Evaluate the Development of Morrison’s caring communities
  - Continue to follow up on HS at MAK and start of 10th grade in Taipei.
  - Continue to foster unity among the campuses.
- Develop the philosophy, definition, boundaries, policies and procedures for member care.

**Trustee Meeting Evaluation**

- Substantial progress was made on each of this year’s Board goals
  - Review the implementation of the Purpose Statement and Vision Statement
  - Pursue high school programs on all three campuses that align with the Vision and Purpose of Morrison Academy
  - Strategic planning for school sustainability
  - Superintendent succession process

The meeting was closed in prayer at 2:30 p.m. by Barry Owen.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Dinnage  
Board Secretary