

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

**MINUTES**

December 12, 2017 (9:30 a.m.)  
Kaohsiung Campus

**Trustees present:** Don Bettinger  
Mark Dinnage  
Beverly McCrary (via Google Meet)  
Barry Owen  
Rob Riley  
Joseph Swanson

**Associate Trustees present:** Cheryl Dunn  
Gretchen Gates Ryan  
Ruth Ullstrom

**Consultant:** Alicia Edwards

**Others present:** Tim McGill  
Matt Sawatzky  
Missy Basnett  
Julie Heinsman  
Joe Torgerson  
Scott Finch

**Last Action:** **17-32**

Ruth Ullstrom shared a devotional starting with information about the island of Mont Saint-Michel, which is pictured on the front cover of The Benedict Option. During high tide, the monastery is an island; however, it is accessible but defensible during low tide. This is a picture of what the author is suggesting Christian communities should mimic. “The shadow of the Enlightenment’s failure to replace God with reason has engulfed the West and plunged us into a new Dark Age.” We need to seize and cling to our beliefs for future generations or it will be torn from our grasp. The author’s solution is to embed ourselves in stable communities of faith. Throughout the scripture, we are commanded to be “all in.”

Barry led the Board in a time of prayer for all of the campuses, faculty, staff and students. Then board members divided into their accountability groups to discuss their accountability questions and pray for each other. Afterward, some board members were able to attend a portion of the experiential learning presentation by the juniors and seniors.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND  
CONSENT AGENDA  
17-33**

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

- approval of the November 7th, 2017 Board Minutes
- acceptance of the November 20th, 2017 Finance Committee Minutes
- acceptance of the November 20th, 2017 Governance Committee Minutes:  
Board Retreat: Oct 1-4, 2018 in Hong Kong  
(Board Meeting on Oct 5 in Taichung)
- acceptance of the Administrative report, as written
- acceptance of the SAC Meeting Notes for December 6, 2017

**APPROVAL OF MAK  
INNOVATION TEMPORARY  
BUILDING  
17-34**

**MOTION PREVAILED** to authorize the administration to use NT\$6,500,000 from the Plant & Development Fund for the construction of a temporary structure for a new Creation Lab/MakerSpace and outdoor ball court expansion.

**APPROVAL OF TAICHUNG EMS  
PRINCIPAL  
17-35**

**MOTION PREVAILED** to approve Scott Finch as the Taichung EMS Principal beginning in July 2018.

**APPROVAL OF TUITION AND  
FEE SCHEDULE FOR 2017-18  
SCHOOL YEAR  
17-36**

**MOTION PREVAILED** to approve the Tuition and Fee Schedules for all three campuses for 2018-19 school year according to the attached fee schedules in line with Policy #4120.

**APPROVAL OF CHIAYI  
SATELLITE CAMPUS  
FACILITY CONSTRUCTION  
17-40**

**MOTION PREVAILED** to authorize the administration to use NT\$9,000,000 from the Plant & Development Fund for the construction of facilities for the ChiaYi Satellite Campus.

**Board Goals Review:**

1. Board of Trustees' Professional Development
  - a. Discuss The Benedict Option.
  - b. Fall Board Retreat in Cambodia.
2. Morrison Community Connections & Strategic Planning for Mission Sustainability
  - a. Conduct a forum with staff and administration at each campus
  - b. Groundbreaking in Linkou
  - c. Reevaluate financial strategic planning.
3. Monitor and Evaluate the Development of Morrison's caring communities
  - a. Continue to develop a policy for Member Care and refer this policy to SAC for development of procedures for Member Care
  - b. Finalize the covenant language of our position statements.
4. Confirm the membership of the Superintendent Search Committee, and commission them to prepare a shortlist of candidates by the end of the year.

The meeting was closed in prayer at 2:27 by Barry Owen.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Dinnage  
Board Secretary