

## Clifton Council Meeting

**11/10/15**

**Attendance:** Pastor Manoj Jacob, Mrs. Misayo Bien, Mr. Alain Tamelessio, Mr. Zeth Bell, Mr. Terry McMahon, Mrs. Kyoko Andersson, Dr. Robert Beebe, Rev. Kathaleen Sato, Mrs. Noriko Sprague, Mr. Atsushi Takino, Mrs. Naria McGee, and Mr. Alexander Beebe **Excused:** Mrs. Tamayo Oppenheimer.

- The meeting was called to order at 8:07 pm.
- The opening prayer was given by Dr. Beebe.
- The CIG Motto was read.

### Agenda:

- The Minutes for the 10/23/15 & 11/02/15 meetings were read and will stand approved when corrected.

### **Old Business:**

#### **A. Report on National Council Meeting**

- The selection for the District council will be made by the local council upon their change in positions.
- Mr. Alain Tamelessio gave a report on the last National Council Meeting. The main points included True Mother's concern for her distant children, the church's decision to cut its financial dependency on Japanese donation {thus lessening the financial burden of Japan}, National Council organization of another grant, the availability of a start-up ministry fund {which is distinct from the National Council Grant}, the goal of the next Cheung Il Guk Blessing to have 500 new couples for the nation, and True Mother's wish to hear from and connect to each member.
- It was noted that church membership is defined by headquarters, yet the expectations of local members can be specified by the local church. Any amendment must be voted upon by 2/3 of the whole congregation {ages 18 and up}.

#### **B. Church Financial Report**

- Pastor Manoj is in the process of drawing up an itemized & detailed financial report to present to the Council which will then be presented to the general congregation. The report would allow for better budgeting, risk management, and financial transparency. Council discussed having a church audit to allow for better money management.

#### **C. Camp Sunrise**

- Rev. Sato & Pastor Manoj gave reports on Camp Sunrise's Financial Situation to update the new council members. {See Pastor Manoj & Rev. Sato for details.}
- An announcement will be made to the congregation followed by a town hall meeting to delve into more details and decide the NJ Church's future support of Camp Sunrise. Council will all meet on Friday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. (Vote: for 9; abstain 1)

#### **D. Welcome New Council Members**

- All present council members introduced themselves to each other.

#### **E. Updates**

- Next Council Meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

**F. Announcements**

- 11/1 – 40 Day Conference Call Hoon Dok Hae Condition (until Dec. 10th)
- 11/13 – The Marriage Course Cont. (Fellowship Hall, 6:30pm)
- 11/14 – True Children’s Day and Kae-Cheon Jeol Service and Celebration (8am)
- 11/18 – YUM Service (7:30pm)
- 11/20 – The Marriage Course (Fellowship Hall, 6:30pm)
- 11/20 – Reflection Meeting at Tamayo Oppenheimer’s House (7:30pm) (Final meeting for current council)
- 11/21 – 1-Day D.P. Workshop (Spanish & English)
- 12/5 – Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
- 12/6 – UPF Afternoon Kick-off Banquet
- Prayers for True Mother & True Family, Bishop Kim, Dr. Balcomb, National Level IW’s, All District Pastors, Our Pastor, and all Blessed Families in our community.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Mrs. Bien at 10:30 pm.

**Secretary,**

**-Zeth Bell**