

Clifton Council Meeting

9/11/15

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

- The meeting was called to order at 8:19 pm.
- The opening prayer was given by Rev. Sato.
- The CIG Motto was read.

Agenda:

- The Minutes for the 8/28/15 meeting were read and will stand approved when corrected.

Old Business:

A. Camp Sunrise

- The requested information from the previous meeting has not been presented hindering the council from making an informed decision.
- It was proposed to have a letter written and sent out to the community about the Camp Sunrise financial situation and Clifton Church's financial expectations.
- Council decided that having Mr. Sabourin attend the next council meeting would not be necessary and have income statements and balance sheets sent via email (for: 5; 2 abstain)

B. Election Specifics and Timeline

- October 1-15: official public announcements will be made that nominations for the next council are being accepted. Duties of council roles will be clearly stated.
- Nominees will either be self-nominated or nominated by another (with that nominee's permission); each nominee must submit a short essay stating his or her reasons for being on the Clifton Council.
- October 15-30: Nominees will be interviewed by the current council or nominees will be presented before the congregation in a town hall meeting. (Specifics are to be determined).
- November 1-8: Community voting will be held for council positions (Handled by election committee).
 - Paper Ballots on Nov 1 & 8 Sunday Services
 - Online Ballots between the dates of Nov 1 - 8
- November 9-12: Winners will be notified of their selection & given the choice to accept or decline.
- November 15: The results will be announced in the Sunday services. (Date may change due)
- Final revisions to the Council Handbook will be completed by November.

C. Tabled Agenda for next Meeting

- Council Meeting Schedule – Sept. 25th, Oct. 9th, Oct. 23rd, Nov. 10th (Tuesday), and Nov. 20th.

- It was proposed to discuss Sanctuary Church (in terms of being well informed, advising Pastor Manoj, and handling any issues that may arise) in the Sept. 25th meeting. Vote (for: unanimous)
- National Council Meeting is upcoming in October and there is a need to elect representatives.

D. Announcements

- 9/18 – Level 2 Local Church Blessing Workshop (7pm, Conference Room)
- 9/18-9/20 – 3-Day DP Workshop in English (church Parsonage, begins Fri., 6pm with dinner, and ends 4pm. on Sun.)
- 9/20 – First Day of 2015-2016 Sunday School Program
- 9/25 – Level 2 Local Church Blessing Workshop continued (7pm, Conference Room)
- 9/26 – First Day of GO (5pm, Fellowship Hall)

The meeting was closed in prayer by Mr. McMahon at 10:44 pm.

Secretary,

-Zeth Bell