16TH LLWWEMA COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes

Date: 12/8/2016 Time: 7:00-9:00 pm Location: Room 109

Attendees: Present

James Liao, President

David Chan YK Ho

Jimmy Chui (calling from Toronto)

Sien Chong Wu Ben Kirkup

Anne Harvey, Treasurer

Absent

Paul Lam

Rebecca Ger (on mission in Asia)

- Opening Prayer YK Ho
- Determination of Quorum A quorum was present
- Approval of last LLWWEMA Committee Meeting Minutes Motion to approve by YK Ho, seconded by Anne Harvey. Approved unanimously.
- President Sharing James Liao introduced and led discussion of three issues:
 - 1. LLWWEMA short term missions (STM) program for 2017
 - a. Torrance BOL has approved funds for at least 10 scholarships for 2017 STM trips to Nepal
 - b. Jennifer Wu is working on a poster to publicize the 2017 Nepal STM program
 - c. Information about the 2017 STM program is being sent to Ling Liang churches in each region.
 - 2. Status of LLWWEMA WEB page
 - a. Jimmy Chui is working with Sonny Lo (HK) to set up a new WEB page
 - b. A β-site is in development at www.impress.hk but remains to be populated
 - c. Approval was given to continue the effort
 - d. A purchase order for the WEB fees will be prepared
 - 3. Status of LLWWEMA book Never be Hungry, Never be Thirsty
 - a. Fifteen previously published articles have been converted to electronic form for this new edition, 9 still require translation to English
 - i. Chinese version (15) converted by Sien Chong Wu, Chinese Secretary
 - ii. English version (6) converted by Ben Kirkup, English Secretary
 - b. Other articles are being translated and preface drafts have been requested. Of the 5 prefaces requested, Elder Joseph Ho has committed; Gloria Dzao not decided.
 - c. The intended number of printed copies has been increased from 1,000 to 1,500. Publication is anticipated mid-2017
 - d. To preserve the tradition of the founding of Ling Liang, copies of the book will be provided to every LLWWEMA church, even to churches that do not read Chinese or English.
 - e. An announcement of the book will be sent to Church leaders.

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- Presentation: Status reports from the Church Care VPs
 - 1. VP, Church Care ID David Chan: Has sent STM material to the churches. Most of the churches in Indonesia are small and speak only Indonesian.
 - 2. VP, Church Care NAD YK Ho: Has been promoting the STM program. The challenge is to motivate the pastors of small churches to consider a worldwide STM program.
 - 3. VP, Church Care HKD Jimmy Chui: Has communicated with the HK churches, and two questions have been raised. 1) Is a 1-week program acceptable in lieu of the normal 2-week program? 2) If it is acceptable, is it better to go the first or the second week? The committee agreed that it would work with any church requesting a 1-week program. The committee thought that the first week would probably be better because it is important to be present for the initial coordination and instruction. The scholarship level for the 1-week program has to be evaluated.
 - 4. VP, Church Care AIMP Paul Lam: No report was given because Paul Lam was traveling and could not establish internet communication.

Other issues

The 16th LLWWEWMA will present a beautiful gift to the Torrance BOL church for its 50th Anniversary. It is the painting shown below, and the committee wishes to thank the artist, Mrs. Hsu Zhao Ling Zhi, for her great effort.



- David Chan made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by YK Ho and unanimously approved.
- Closing Prayer James Liao