

INTERNATIONAL WORSHIP CENTRE

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES November 25, 2020 6:15 PM – 7:30 PM 1077 St. James Avenue

Due to the pandemic and government restrictions, the 2020 Business Meeting was conducted via on-line. The Zoom access was opened for all members at 6:15pm and formally started at 6.45pm after determining there was a quorum of 110 members although actual members who attended was 199 people representing at least 47% of membership. With that note, the formal meeting for the 2020 IWC Annual Congregational Meeting was declared. Ptr. Jerome Basa did the introduction and opening prayer. Pastor Junie Josue, IWC's Lead Pastor, presided over the meeting.

Devotion

Pastor Junie Josue exhorted the members on Philippians 11:6, *"being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ."* He mentioned that in the past twenty (20) years of IWC's life and the vision God has given him, there were many challenges in his personal life and ministry. He further mentioned that with all the things happening around us and the times that we are living; he believes that we are nearing the return of Christ. However, we should not focus on the end-time events but focus on our relationship with Him. Jesus is giving us the grace to walk with Him in making disciples of all nations. What God had begun in us, He will surely complete in us. Nothing should derail us or defocus our energy or mislead us to something far from God's commission. God is doing something powerful in Winnipeg, in Manitoba and in Canada. As we continue not to lose sight of the truth; then God will surely complete it until the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Minutes of Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting for the 2020 Annual Congregational meeting was read by Ptr. Bong Sumayod as Assistant Council Secretary on behalf of Ptr. Ghigie Gonzales, Council Secretary.

Motion to accept the 2019 Minutes of the Meeting was raised by Vladimir Tamayo and seconded by Shirley Cruz; and voted upon by the congregation.

Treasurer's Report

Bobby Fiñeza presented the financial statements for the year 2019 with revenues of \$1,530,992 and expenditures of \$1,180,453 resulting into a surplus of \$349,639 at the end of the calendar year. The financial performances and share in total revenues for Main & Multi-sites were: IWC-North at \$246,552 at 16.11%; IWC-Transcona at \$120,276 at 7.86%; IWC-Neepawa at \$56,779 at 3.71%; IWC-Brandon at \$39,078 at 2.55%; and St. James at \$1,067,408 with 69.76% of total giving. The Pareto principle still remains in terms of giving where 20% of donors have given 80% of revenues. Among the top givers were 20 families from St. James, 8 from North, 2 from Transcona and 1 from Brandon.

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The acceptance of the financial statements report was moved by Hailene Magtuloy; seconded by Michael Vidallon; and voted upon by the congregation.

Secretary's Report

Pastora Ghigie Gonzales reported on IWC's values of winning the lost, discipling others, and raising leaders for the harvest. In 2019, IWC went through a series of strategic meetings that resulted into the reorganization process to streamline the structure and reporting lines following the vision of evangelism, discipleship, and leadership. This exercise resulted in a flatter structure, giving the Lead Pastor more time to focus on the spiritual health of the congregation. He is supported by a Win/Evangelism Pastor (Jerome Basa), Discipleship Pastor (Bong Sumayod), and Leadership Pastor (Ghigie Gonzales). Administration will be led by the Operations Officer. IWC continued to be a robust church where events and activities focused on our mission of winning the lost, discipleship and training leaders. The Christian Education Department was transformed into the Lead Department where a team looked and reviewed the curricula resulting into an improved LTT. Adopt a block, KidzTown, YDC including all the sites were all engaged in outreaches and continuously winning others for Christ.

Motion to accept the Secretary's Report was given by Bella Madrid and seconded by Stella Raymundo. The congregation accepted the report as read.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Junie Josue presented the 2019 Lead Pastor's Report where he said that although there is an expression that says, *"it is a lonely at the top"*, his experience leading IWC was more of a team effort that while he is leading the church into the God-given destiny that Christ has for us; God graciously surrounded him with people who serve selflessly and passionately. He expressed his appreciation to all the church's leadership, the Council, the Site Pastors, the staff, and all ministry volunteers who serve with much dedication and commitment. He is looking forward to more fruitful years for IWC as we continue to build on our successes and learnings from failures of the past. He is expectant that the journey ahead is greater as we work together to become better.

Motion to accept the Lead Pastor's Report was given by Hailene Magtuloy and seconded by Rey Patena. The congregation accepted the report as read.

Pastor's Council Appointment

Kevin Veron's term has ended. Pastor Jojo Cochon was re-appointed as a member of the Pastoral Council. Bella Madrid and Ptr. Jerome Basa were extended for a three (3) year-term.

Motion to accept the Council appointments was given by Ptr. Virginia Gonzales and seconded by Irene Nobles. The congregation accepted the report as read.

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The meeting ended with closing prayer by Ptr. Bong Sumayod. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Minutes Recorded by:



Ptra. Virginia V. (Ghigie) Gonzales
Council Secretary
May 21, 2021

