**March 11, 2017 Church Council Meeting Agenda (9:15-11:15 am)**

**Council members present: Ruben, Yilong, Clara, Steven, Frank, Evan, Joyce, Jack (Cindy absent); Guests: John Ma, Ray Shen, George Chui**

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| **Role** | **Name** | **Present** |
| Senior Pastor | John Lee | **Y** |
| Ministry Intern | Lynn Kong | **Y** |
| Moderator | Ruben Ho | **Y** |
| Christian Education | Stephen Tung | **Y** |
| Prayer | Clara Wu | **Y** |
| Deputy Moderator/Fellowship | Yilong Zhang | **Y** |
| Worship | Evan Tsai | **Y** |
| Ministry Development | Frank Jiang | **Y** |
| Mission | Cindy Lee | **N** |
| Treasurer | Joyce Lu | **Y** |
| Executive Member/Secretary | Jack Sun | **Y** |
| Pastoral Intern | Odin Chen | **Y** |

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| **Item Description** | **No** | **Approved** |
| Accepted 2/11/2017 Council Meeting minutes. |  | **8** |
| Approved to purchase 20 Feet container as storage for church parking lot. George Chui will purchase. |  | **8** |
| **Membership acceptance for Simon & Zusell Szeto to be ACBC members** |  | **8** |
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**Vote to approve to purchase 20ft container for storage in church parking lot (8 out of 9) Council has directed George Chui to complete this task.**

1. **Opening** **Prayer**
2. **Reading & Acceptance of February 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes (Please read minutes before coming to Meeting). (vote to approve meeting agenda, 8 out of 9)**
3. **Financial Report**
4. **Other Reports: encourage all to have your written report sent in via email**
5. **Update & Discussion Issues**
6. **Ministry Items**

* **Mission Prayer Conference on 3/17-18:** Sister Clara Wu will update us.
* **Northern Thailand Short term Mission** from March 29 ~ April 10: Sister Cindy Lee will update us.
* **Discussion Item: 2017 Summer Retreat** (Brother Frank Jaing will prepare for more detail on cost & other details for us to discuss and make decision). (Discuss minimum number of attendance, bus rental, survey of attendance from congregation, how much will church supplement, English speaker for both congregation with translator, Youth speaker, Kids program, Topic will be family. Discuss and present cost to council by next council meeting).
* **Transferrence membership acceptance: accept Simon & Zusell Szeto to be ACBC members (Vote to approve, 8 out of 9)**
* They have finished Class 101 membership transference lessons (the application forms are submitted)

1. **Administrative Items**

* **LCC Renewal Contract:**
* they‘ll discuss in their meeting today and make decision
* **ACBC Surveillance Camera System—inviting Brother John Ma to present the detail**
* Discuss and make decision after presentation

Mr. Ma said that due to his health reasons he would like Mr. Ray Shen to take over and handle Building and Grounds. Mr Ma would still remain as the chair for Building Committee.

Mr. Ma and Mr. Ray Shen voiced that surveillance can deter vandalism, theft, burglary, and other crimes.

Jack voiced that a surveillance system alone will not deter child molesters or sexual assault. Rather it takes man power to stand guard during children ministry on Sunday and on Friday. Surveillance system is only a tool. It lacks man power to zoom in and out or to pan left or right. The cameras clarity and distance is also an issue. Jack agree that a Safety Committee is more important and surveillance system will be a tool for that committee. We need to know those that serve in children ministry and those who have access to our children. Those who want to assault our children will observe and try to blend in to our service. They will then assault our children out of sight of other adults and surveillance system.

Steve motion to table the surveillance camera installation for future discussion. Evan said our goal is to have a safe place to worship. Evan motion to establish a committee to discuss the overall safety of our church in the next five years for worship and fellowship. Ruben propose no vote is needed. Ruben propose not to vote on motion by Steve and Evan. Mr Ma agree to form Safety Committee and later discuss the need to install surveillance cameras. Surveillance camera installation will be put on hold until further discussion by council.

* **April Council Meeting: can it be changed to April 15?**
* Pastor Lee (in mission), Yilong & Frank (attending small group leaders training workshop at Mandarin Baptist Church of San Fernando Valley) may be absent on Aprl 8

1. **Pastoral Search Related Issses**

* **Lynn will update Pastor Tolman’s kickoff/welcome meeting on 3/12 (need more people to help and serve for check in during Sunday and Friday)**
* **Brother Tung Updates us the progress of the Pastoral Search on all positions**

**3 candidates each for Chinese and English Pastor, no decisions have been made as to who to hire, two will be invited to speak in English congregation in the next couple of weeks) Council to review new policy emailed by Mr. Chien for church staff and to discuss and to vote at next council meeting in April. Maybe we can invite Mr. Chien to attend the next council meeting.**

1. **Educational Building Related Issues**

* **Brother Ma update the progress. Minutes for building committee meeting is given to council. Coucil suggest that building committee minutes and voted items should be read prior to the end of the building committee meeting. Mr. Ma said he will meet with Pastor Lee and building committee vice-chair to prepare the next building committee meeting agenda. Mr. Ma does not remember voting to do the engineering survey for church site. Joyce reminded everyone that Ruben signed and approved the engineering survey for George to take care of. Joyce suggested that George attend the next church council meeting in April to explain what happened and what the engineering survey entails.**

1. **Extraordinary Motion**
2. **Reading of Meeting Minutes**