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VIRTUAL ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2021

6:10 PM – 7:15 PM

1077 St. James St.

Due to the pandemic and government restrictions, the Annual Business Meeting was conducted on-line via Facebook. The livestream opened for all members at 6:10 pm and formally started at 6.30 pm after determining there was a quorum of 120 members. Actual number of members who attended was 174 people representing at least 36% of membership. The formal meeting for the 2021 IWC Annual Congregational Meeting was declared. Pastor 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 Romans 12:3-8, *"For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office. So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation; he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.* He encouraged the members that we are all parts of one body, the body of Christ and God has afforded us this privilege of serving Him. As members of Christ's body, He has empowered us with the Holy Spirit and has given us the gifts so that we can contribute to the equipping and caring of the body of Christ. We are interconnected, inter-related and inter-dependent and in need of each other so that we can all grow together in our relationship with God. If we do this in the Spirit of the love of God, we can see what He has ordained and destined us as believers to lead many others into the family of Christ. God is directing us into the direction of purpose, destiny, and mission that He seeks to fulfill in each one of us to the very end.

Minutes of Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting for the 2020 Annual Congregational meeting was read by Ptr. Ghie Gonzales as Council Secretary.

Motion for acceptance of the 2020 Minutes of the Meeting was raised by Bella Madrid, seconded by Ruth Joy Canlas, and voted upon by the congregation.

Treasurer's Report

Bobby Fiñeza presented the audited financial statements for the year 2020 with revenues of \$1,342,495 and expenditures of \$918,426 resulting into a surplus of \$424,069. The financial performances and share in total revenues for the five sites

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were: IWC-North at \$252,153 at 18.78%; IWC-Transcona at \$116,923 at 8.71%; IWC-Neepawa at \$61,482 at 4.58%; IWC-Brandon at \$62,914 at 4.69%; and St. James at \$849,023 with 63.24% of total giving. The Pareto principle still remains in terms of giving where 20% of donors have given 80% of revenues.

The Motion for acceptance of the financial statements report was moved by Erika Joy Cruz; seconded by Shiella Tuason-Vasquez; 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 2020, IWC continued to be a robust church where events and activities focused on our mission of winning the lost, discipleship and training leaders to be released for the harvest field. The pandemic brought a 'new normal' in the delivery of on-line services following the ups and downs of government restrictions as cases increases. This brought the Digital Team of IWC with not only upgrades in equipment used in Sunday programming but with the enhancement of IWC website, a new branding for IWC to support graphics and increased social media presence on Facebook, Instagram, and our own church mobile application. Giving on-line was also developed with the addition of Interac Etransfer.

While most meetings were facilitated on-line; when restrictions allowed, Uprising, Rendezvous and the YDC gym were opened. The Leadership Training Track were facilitated and offered via on-line. While it presented some technical challenges, a number of people completed the Empower class. Thanks to the digital expertise and great work done by Mcoi Vidallon. Also for the admin support of Eva Cabaltera and the Lead Content team.

Motion for acceptance of the Secretary's Report was given by Rey Patena; seconded by Hailene Magtuloy; and voted upon by the congregation.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Junie Josue presented the 2020 Lead Pastor's Report. He expressed that the pandemic looks like a roller coaster ride without knowing when the ride would end. That was his feelings for the year 2020. However, he said that even the church of Jesus Christ fumbled and tumbled and struggled to keep her spiritual footing. In the midst of these uncertainties, God lifted him up and supported him to lead IWC during those trying times. He expressed his appreciation to all the church's leadership, the Council, the Site Pastors, Network leaders, the staff, and all ministry volunteers including the support of his wife, Fatty, and the entire family for their unwavering support. He thanked all leaders and volunteers who serve without complaining and modelled the servanthood of Christ. 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 encouraged the members to continue walking in Christ as we look forward to more fruitful years ahead of us.

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Motion to accept the Lead Pastor's Report was given by Hailene Magtuloy; seconded by Cecilia Bangit; and voted upon by the congregation.

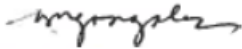
Pastor's Council Appointment

Pastor Jojo Cochon was re-appointed as a Member of the Pastoral Council for a three (3) year-term. Fermel Distajo from IWC St. James and Robert Bryan Villafranca from IWC Neepawa were appointed for a one-year term as new members of the Pastoral Council.

Motion for acceptance of the Council appointments was given by Erika Joy Cruz; seconded by Isaac Nepomuceno; and voted upon by the congregation.

The meeting ended with closing prayer by Ptr. Jerome Basa. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Minutes Recorded by:



Ptra. Virginia V. (Ghigie) Gonzales
Council Secretary