



# 2019 伯特利堂会友大会

日期: 2019年5月26日 时间上午11点正

地点:长老会伯特利堂正、副堂 记录:谢瑞隆长老

主席: 林道伟牧师 翻译: 杨友仁牧师

1.祷告: 主理牧师林道伟牧师带领会众祷告

2. 本堂会友为 554 人

出席会友为 318 人(超过法定人数 150 人 或者, 洁名会友的百分之 25) 会议顺利召开。

主席让会友阅读上次会议记录后无异议。

提议: 胡国璋长老 附议: 唐秀梅姐妹

2018年会友大会记录 众纳

- 3. 事工报告(一)2018 年事工简报第 1 项至 3 项由林道伟牧师报告,杨友仁牧师翻译记念已故刘华德牧师,为着他的生命感谢神。主席邀请会众起立默哀 1 分钟。
- 4. 2019 执选举:由长执会委任的选举官胡国璋长老主持。 在场合格投票者共 318 人超过法定人数,选举顺利进行。
- 5. 事工报告(二)2018 年事工简报第 4 项-7 项。由林道伟牧师报告,杨友仁牧师翻译。

接纳长老会伯特利堂 2018 年事工简报(一) 和(二)

提议: Edward Kway 附议: 吴富成长老 众纳

6. 财政报告(林赐财执事报告) 参阅 2018 年财政报告

提议: 黄德辉执事 附议: 罗清月姐妹 众纳

7.. 财政预算 2019(林赐财执事报告)



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财政报告 2019 年有关教会的收支预算及托儿所和学前教育中心的财政预算。参阅 财政预算报告。

### 会议中提出 2 个询向:

A. 颜喜安长老问: 感谢神,过去几年有托儿中心的盈利来补助教会的不敷,教会收支的不敷是否应考量如何面对未来的挑战。

林赐财执事答:教会收支挑战,过去都很谨慎处理。在托儿所或教会的收支概况与预算差距太大时,财政将提醒长执会并询问,在财务上都会受合理的控制。以往全体收支概况不包括折旧的话,每年都有盈余。

B. 邱玉华姐妹:2019 预算中的其他款项收入比 2018 收入多一倍以上,这数目的差距是否太大?

林赐财执事答:预算是由各崇拜和各事工委员会呈报,由各崇拜财政核准后再组成全教会财政预算。各崇拜的预算每年都在增加之中,财务方面也尽置控制在正常状况之下。有时会有一笔较大的奉献,可来自不同的崇拜;例如,今年来自潮华崇拜的4万奉献。

提议: 佘文光弟兄 附议: 杨贵成长老 众纳

8. 重新委任 2019 年审计师: SS Ang & Co

提议: 袁才福长老 附议: 傅良文长老 众纳

### 9. 其他

9.1.1 大会推荐堂会修改法规,加添有关性别的条款:

主席宣读修改法规 9 的内容,圣经中的男性与女性,性别、单身与婚姻的问题,条款 9A 有 4 项重点:

- \*教牧团与长执需遵守一夫一妻的圣经婚姻观。
- \*教牧团与长执需确保教会领袖与员工都凭持着圣经的教导来操练一夫一妻的圣经婚姻观。
- \*教牧团与长执需要劝导会众操练一夫一妻的圣经婚姻观。
- \*教会场地的使用是依据圣经教导来进行,包括婚礼和庆典。

长执会有人询问:修改法规后是否继续接纳同性恋者参于教会生活?





答案:《是》

我们都是蒙恩的罪人,凭着神的爱彼此接纳,这表达了圣经的爱。

问: 如果法律改变了, 会影响教会法规吗?

答: 若需要修改法规, 必须在会友大会里修改。

9.1.2. 修改法规出席人数需超过会友的二分之一才能进行。

主席建议现场再次点算人数。

提议: 高碧华 Pauline Kor 附议: 陈慧芬

点算人数: 总会友 554 人修改章程人数要超 277 人。现场只有 169 人。有关的修改将改期。

- 9.2. 大会产地信托协议: 有关事项大会仍在商讨之中(包括其他堂会的产地信托), 我们在等待大会议决。
- 9.3. 大会法规修改有关在大会服事的人选: 有关常大会务委员的法规里, 有一条是指定只允许"在任长老"成为候选人。这限制了候选人的范围。大会议决把"在任"两字删除, 且能放宽现有的长老候选人, 尤其是不在任的长老和退修长老。
- 10. 下午 12 点 20 分杨友仁牧师祷告结束会友大会,会友们在餐厅共享自由午餐。





#### **Minutes of Bethel Presbyterian Church**

### **ACM for the Year 2019**

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Time: 11.00am

Venue: Main Sanctuary and Annex Hall

Chairman: Rev Lim Tau Wei

Translator: Rev Eugene Yeo

Secretary: Elder Chia Swee Long

1. Prayer led by Senior Pastor Rev Lim Tau Wei

2. Church Members: 554

Attendance: 318 Church Members (Quorum >150)

The Chairman asked the congregation to read the previous minutes and there was no

objection.

Proposer: Elder Vincent Woo Seconder: Sister Tong Siew Moi

2018 ACM minutes was accepted by the congregation.

#### 3. 2018 Ministry Report I:

2018 Ministry Report Items 1 to 3 were made by Rev Lim Tau Wei and translated by Rev Eugene Yeo.

We remembered Rev Lau Hua Teck and gave thanks for his life. The Chairman invited the congregation to observe 1 minute of silence in respect of Rev Lau Hua Teck.

4. 2019 Election of Elders and Deacons, led by Returning Officer Elder Vincent Woo. There were 318 voters present which is more than the quorum. The election was executed.

#### 5. Ministry Report II:

2018 Ministry Report Items 4 to 7 were made by Rev Lim Tau Wei and translated by Rev Eugene Yeo.

Acceptance of 2018 Bethel Ministry Report I & II:

Proposer: Brother Edward Kway Seconder: Elder Goh Poo Seng

Members accepted the Ministry Report for 2018.

6. Financial Report for 2018 (reported by Deacon Keegan Lim)

The Church Treasurer, Deacon Keegan Lim presented 2018 Financial Summary of the Preschool, the Daycare Centre and various church funds. (See Financial Report)





Two Questions were raised during the meeting:

#### A. Elder Gary Gan:

We thank God for His provision through the surplus of the Childcare Centre to meet the financial needs of our church. Have we considered about how to meet the challenges of the future of our church's financial needs?

Treasurer's reply: The church had managed the finances prudently. When there was a significant difference between the church budget and the actual expenditure, the Treasurer will remind the ministry leaders and EDC to control our finance appropriately. In previous years when depreciation was not included in the total income, there were surplus.

#### A. Sister Khoo Geok Hua:

2019 Budget has projected to have doubled in 'miscellaneous income' compared to 2018 Budget. Is this increment too significant?

Treasurer's reply: The Church budget comprised of the budgets by various congregations and ministries. The Finance Committee had audited and incorporated into our church budget. Every ministry and congregation expenditure had increased over the years. The Finance Committee is also dedicated to manage the increment. At times, we receive a significant sum of offering from different services. For instance, we received \$40,000 offering from Teochew/Mandarin Service this year.

Proposer: Brother Jim Seah Seconder: Elder Yeo Jwee Seng

Members accepted the Financial Report for 2018.

8. Re-appointment of External Auditor S.S. Ang & Co. for the Year 2019.

Proposer: Elder Wang Chye Hock Seconder: Elder Poh Liang Boon

Members accepted the proposal to re-appoint S.S. Ang & Co. as External Auditor for the year 2019.

#### 9. Others:

9.1.1. Synod's Recommended Additions to the EDC Constitution on Sexuality:The Chairman reported the new article 9A Amendment to the EDC Constitution on Sexuality. There are 4 main points in this article:

\*The pastoral team and church leaders are to adhere to the biblical principle of marriage as between one man and one woman.





- \*The pastoral team and church leaders are to guide the leaders and staff to practise the biblical principle of marriage as between one man and one woman.
- \*The pastoral team and church leaders are to teach members the biblical principle of marriage as between one man and one woman.
- \*The church premise is used for holy matrimony as sanctioned in the bible.

Questions asked during EDC meeting:

i) Will we still embrace the homosexuals in our church community?

Answer: Yes

ii) If there are societal law changes pertaining to the homosexuality issue, will the church constitution be affected?

Answer: If we want to effect a change in the constitution, we are required to hold a EOCM or ACM to vote for the change.

9.1.2. The change of the constitution needed simple majority of the congregation to be valid.

The Chairman proposed to do a headcount again.

Proposer: Pauline Kor Seconder: Tan Hui Fern

Attendance: Total members 554. We needed 277 to form a quorum. As we only had

169 members at that point of time, the voting was postponed.

#### 9.2. Synod Trustee Agreement

We have written to the Synod Trustee Committee regarding our proposals and Declaration of Trust document. We are awaiting their response.

9.3. Changes to the Synod Constitution Article 9 subpoint 4.4.2.:

In the above article, only the "serving elders" can become a nominee in the Synod Ex-Co. With regards to the delegates attending the AGM, it was decided during 2019 Synod AGM to take away the restriction of "serving elders" to "elders". Whether the elder is ruling or not, he can be appointed as a delegate to attend the AGM.

10. Rev Eugene Yeo ended the ACM at 12.20pm with a closing prayer. The members adjourned to the Refreshment Area for lunch fellowship.