

# Boston Chinese Evangelical Church 2020 Special Congregational Meeting September 13, 2020, 2:00pm

Meeting Facilitator: Kevin Fong, Chairman of the Board of Deacons (BOD)

Translators: Michael Ho and Joyce Chan

Secretary: Julia Zhu

Location: Zoom Video Conference Call

#### 1. Welcome

Kevin Fong welcomed everyone to the meeting. The meeting was called by the BOD to approve the motion to approve Reverend Daniel Chan as the Senior Pastor of BCEC.

### 2. Opening Prayer

Pastor Daniel opened the meeting in prayer.

#### 3. Quorum

As of September 12, 2020, BCEC has 1,198 full members, and 300 members are needed to meet the quorum (attending the meeting over Zoom or via appointed proxy holders).

There are 596 members who registered and voted by proxy. Since at least 1 proxy holder is present at this meeting, we have an established quorum. The proxy holders are Kevin Fong, Anthony Lai, Pastor Andy Su, and Elder Chuk-Lam Yuen. Additional members present today will be counted after reviewing the motion.

The BOD Personnel Committee created a process to hire the next senior pastor in January 2019, which was approved by the Board of Elders (BOE) and the BOD. The process established the Job Description Committee and the Senior Pastor Search Committee, which interviewed and recommended Reverend Daniel Chan as the next Senior Pastor. The BOE and BOD interviewed and approved Pastor Daniel for this position. In accordance with the constitution, the BOD called this meeting to present the motion, which has been approved by the BOE and BOD.

### 4. Motion

Kevin Fong presented the following motion: To approve the employment of Reverend Daniel Chan as the Senior Pastor of BCEC. Suk Han Lok seconded the motion.

### 5. Registration and Voting

Kevin Fong provided an overview of the registration and voting process. Deaconess Jessica So presented step-by-step voting and registration instructions.

#### 6. Announcements

The BOD has set October 25, 2020, at 2pm for the Annual Congregational Meeting. The meeting will be virtual, and proxy statements will be sent at the end of September. Kevin also shared that there is an option for members to opt-in to receiving electronic meeting and voting information for future meetings in myBCEC portal.

### 7. Results

Kevin Fong announced that the congregation has voted to approve the employment of Reverend Daniel Chan as the next Senior Pastor of BCEC. The unaudited results are 699 "For," 6 "Against," and 4 "Abstain." There were 120 live votes, including 7 votes that amended votes by proxy. These votes were counted by Deaconess Jessica So, Deacon Jevon Yu, and Edward Lau. The senior pastor installation details will be announced soon.

## 8. Closing Words and Prayer

Elder Bak Fun Wong shared closing words on behalf of the Board of Elders. God called 18 brothers and sisters in 1961 to start BCEC under the leadership of Pastor James Tan. Since then, God has led BCEC in all areas, including the search of the Senior Pastor. As the Chairperson of both the Job Description and Senior Pastor Search Committees, Elder Bak Fung Wong shared that he sees God's faithfulness, provision, and blessing upon BCEC.

Kevin Fong shared closing words, and rejoiced and praised God as He leads BCEC in the next step of our journey with Pastor Daniel as our new shepherd.

Pastor Daniel Chan shared that he recognizes the voting results today as a calling to take up the leadership position in the church, and he humbly accepted. He encouraged us as BCEC to experience the joy in serving the Lord and to continue to grow under God's grace. Pastor Daniel Chan closed the meeting in prayer.