



HỘI THÁNH TIN LÀNH VIỆT NAM TẠI ÚC - MELBOURNE
Vietnamese Evangelical Church in Australia - Melbourne

45 Pickett Street Footscray Vic 3011

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (SGM)
(Election of Senior Pastor)

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 3rd December 2023

Venue: 45 Pickett Street, Footscray VIC 3011
Zoom: 845 945 1045

Attendees: Church members (in person)
Church Committee (2023-2025 Term)

Observers: Barrister Garrie Moloney
Joyce Khoo of JK Lawyers

Chair: Barrister David Sanders
Interpreter: Dr Thuy Le

Minutes Taker: Mr. Van Thua Tin

Minutes reviewed by: Barrister David Sanders

AGENDA

- 1. Opening Prayer and Welcome**
- 2. Nomination of Minute Taker**
- 3. Confirmation of Quorum**
- 4. Election of Senior Pastor**
- 5. Closing Prayer and Ending SGM**

12:00PM SGM COMMENCED

Opening Prayer and Welcome

Senior Pastor Duong Huu Dung gave an opening prayer, welcomed the meeting, and introduced the Chair, Barrister David Sanders

Nomination of Minutes Taker

- The Chair asked for nominations for a minutes taker
- Mr Thua Tin Van was nominated.
- The Chair asked the congregation to approve Mr Thua Tin Van as the Minutes Taker by a show of hands.
- Members approved.

Confirmation of Quorum

- 120 of 175 members attended the meeting.
- The Chair declared quorum reached.

Election of Senior Pastor

- The Chair stated that there is only one nomination – Pastor Dung Huu Duong
- The Chair explained the Ballot Paper and Voting procedures.
 - The ballot will be by secret ballot.
 - Explanation of the Ballot Paper.
 - To be successfully confirmed, there must be “yes” votes of at least 75% of the members present.
 - If a member wishes to amend their vote, they will need to raise their hand to have the election officer give said member a new ballot paper.
 - All invalid votes will have the same effect as if they were a “No” vote as the rules require an affirmative vote of at least 75% of the members present.
 - An invalid vote includes marking the ballot paper “Yes” and “No”, leaving the ballot paper blank or the markings are ineligible to the election officers.
 - The Chair advised that if a member does not want to participate voting, they are to be re-seated in a separate section, to indicate that they do not wish to participate in the election and do not wish to be counted as present.
 - One member did not wish to vote and sat in the indicated area.
 - The Chair asked if any member requires assistance with the voting.
 - No member required assistance.
- The election officers recounted the members present – 118 members
 - The Chair advised to continue with the ballot.
- The ballot papers were given out to members.
- Results:
 - Yes: 117 (99.15%)
 - No: 1
 - Invalid 0
- The chair declared Pastor Dung Huu Duong was elected and confirmed as the Senior Pastor.

SGM Closing

- SGM was concluded at 12:30pm
- Pastor Dung Huu Duong said closing statement and prayer.