

Resolution 6 – Use of Net Proceeds from Campground Sales

Submitted by the Mission Center Officers in consultation with the Apostle and Mission Center Council

Whereas, The Mission Center Conference held on April 11, 2015 adopted a resolution titled Maintain and Operate Three Campgrounds authorizing the sale of Camp Manitou and the Woodlands properties;

Whereas, The Maintain and Operate Three Campgrounds states, “the net proceeds from the sale of campgrounds shall be utilized for pursuing mission through the development of campground properties and mission center camping and gathering activities;”

Whereas, The Net Proceeds Policy of Community of Christ effective July 1, 2015 states, “voluntary generosity contributions from Net Proceeds will be requested to support mission needs of the World Church as identified and approved by the Council of Twelve, the Presiding Bishopric and the First Presidency;”

Whereas, The sale of Camp Manitou closed on May 31, 2017 with net proceeds being held in an Affiliate Investment Pool B account (\$545,372.27 as of 9/30/2017) and the Woodlands property continues to be listed for sale;

Whereas, Mission Center Officers have engaged in a discernment process including dialogue with the mission center council and combined campground executive committees, reunion chat sessions, budget meeting dialogues, surveys, and invitations for input throughout 2017 to determine how to propose a resolution for the use of net proceeds from campground sales; and

Whereas, The First Presidency shared in an address to the church on September 20, 2017 the need for giving by disciples, congregations, and mission centers to fund the Worldwide Ministries Budget and Bridge of Hope project; therefore be it,

Resolved, That the Maintain and Operate Three Campgrounds resolution adopted on April 11, 2015 and amended on November 11, 2015 be amended by inserting “mission needs of the worldwide church and” after “net proceeds from the sale of campgrounds shall be utilized for;”

Resolved, That 20% of net proceeds from the sale of Camp Manitou and the Woodlands shall be contributed to the Bridge of Hope project, World Mission Tithes, or other worldwide funds as designated by the Presiding Bishopric;

Resolved, That 60% of net proceeds from the sale of Camp Manitou and the Woodlands shall be designated for the development of campground properties through capital improvement projects, which meet World Church building guidelines, submitted by campground boards and approved by the mission center officers in consultation with the combined campground executive committees; and

Resolved, That 20% of net proceeds from the sale of Camp Manitou and the Woodlands shall be designated for support of camping and gathering ministries as determined by the mission center officers in consultation with the mission center council.