

Minutes of the Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship
San Francisco, November, 18, 2011

Welcome, quorum call, opening by President, Chris Kettler

Prayer offered by Co-Vice President Gary Deddo

Old Business:

1. Minutes for the 2010 meeting were approved by majority vote.
2. Treasurer's Report was submitted by Mike Gibson. (Written details available to members upon request)
3. Membership Report: 238 members in 2010 rose to 245 members in 2011. (Gary)
4. President's Report on the past year (Chris Kettler)
 - We are now listed in the Foundation for Reformed Theology's organizations
 - Another issue of *Participatio* is coming
 - still welcoming contributors and looking forward to inclusion in the ATLA
 - talking with Wipf and Stock about print volumes of *Participatio*
 - Much improved Wikipedia piece on TFT with the help of Paul Molnar
 - Special issue of *Theology in Scotland* (Volume XVI) was dedicated to TFT (published by St. Mary's College, St Andrews) – essays by G. Deddo, Andrew Purves, Robert Walker, Iain Torrance, and others
 - At least two books should be mentioned that are heavily indebted to Torrance:
 - Persons, Powers, and Pluralities: Toward a Trinitarian Theology of Culture* (Pickwick) by Eric G. Flett, and Gerald O'Collins and Michael Keenan Jones, *Jesus Our Priest: A Christian Approach to the Priesthood of Christ* (Oxford).

New Business:

1. The president's report (Chris):
 - Torrance reading groups have been a small but welcome way to spread TFT's influence, examples in Knoxville and Wichita Are there others?)
 - The centennial of TFT will be in 2013. Members were asked to share ideas with the executive committee for events and speakers. Plans for other conferences; at least one in Wichita. Other ideas? Perhaps a Festschrift: "T.F. Torrance for the Twenty-First Century"?
 - Our 2012 speaker in Chicago will be Father George Dragas, on Athanasius and Torrance.
 - Ideas for our centennial speaker welcomed. Nothing settled yet.
 - Reminder of Saturday morning's joint meeting with the Karl Barth Society on Paul Molnar's book, *Thomas F. Torrance, Theologian of the Trinity* (9 a.m. CC-3005 (Moscone Center West), MP 19-191. Respondents will be Gary Deddo, Chris Kettler, and Alan Torrance.
2. No Election this year
3. Open Discussion
 - John McKenna has been teaching courses on TF Torrance's theology for the Grace Communion Seminary (formerly the Worldwide Church of God), and a key to their transformation to a trinitarian and incarnational denomination.
 - Robert Walker, editor of the two volumes of TFT's Edinburgh Christology lectures, *Incarnation and Atonement* (IVP), has organized several conferences in Edinburgh, Scotland about two per year, once in April and again in November. Robert sends his invitation to anyone who wants to attend from outside the UK. This conference is for pastors and academics.
 - Long time associate of the Torrances, Jock Stein of Handsel Press, will be editing 3 volumes of TFT collected works. The first volume is due out from Wipf and Stock in the next 12 months.
4. Motion asked to adjourn the meeting. Seconded and passed.
5. Introduction of this year's annual speaker: Paul Molnar, on "Thomas F. Torrance and the Problem of Universalism"

Respectfully submitted by Gary Deddo, Co-Vice President
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