

Advisory Committee on Corporate Responsibility in Investment Policy (ACCRIP)

Minutes of the Meeting April 4th, 2011

Present:

Luiz Valente (Chair)
Kathleen Morrissey
Christopher Bull
Sandra Seibel
Ruhan Nagra
Naoko Shibusawa
Haley Kossek
Peter Voss (by phone)
Stanley Griffith (by phone)
Anne Sharp
Nikki Fadaifard

AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes of the February 28, 2011 meeting

At the request of several members, a revision of the minutes of the February 28th 2011 meeting will be resubmitted to the committee by email for approval at our next meeting.

2. Chair's report

The Chair's report emphasized the need for an updating of the list of companies under Sudan divestment.

The request for review form is being drafted to be added to the website.

A new chair of the committee needs to be chosen for 2011-2012.

3. Proxy discussion

The committee discussed a proxy for Marathon Oil Company. The committee recommended support of the proxy as it was covered by an existing guideline.

4. Discussion of the proposal by Brown Students for Justice in Palestine for divestment

The committee acknowledged the thoughtful presentation by the SJP and agreed that it dealt with a pressing moral and ethical matter. There was some discussion about whether a consensus by the Brown Community exists on this matter. The committee felt there was a need for more education and better information about community opinion on the issue.

Though the committee believes that the issues brought to our attention are important, the committee is not ready to vote on whether divestment is appropriate at this

time. However, the Committee is committed to keep the issue moving, and plans to conduct investigation of the companies named by BSJP, beginning with Caterpillar.

5. New business

The committee did not have any new business to discuss. The Chair stated that at this time no future group reviews were possible due to the ending of the academic year and the committee's full schedule.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Fadaifard