

Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes Sunday June 3, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Ken Mundt, President of the Board of Trustees. Ken appointed Rosemary Daszkiewicz as Acting Moderator. Rosemary appointed Brenna Willott as Secretary, and herself as Parliamentarian. Members of the Board of Trustees serving as tellers announced there was a quorum.

Alicia Grace opened the meeting and provided the Minister's message, noting the successful pledge drive and Jon Luopa's sabbatical. She thanked the congregation for the opportunity to serve them, and also thanked the staff and the Board of Trustees for a banner year.

It was moved, seconded and passed to waive the reading of the previous year's minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was moved, seconded and passed.

Ken Mundt, President of the Board, provided the President's message. He reviewed the many accomplishments for this year, including a wonderful 25-year anniversary weekend for senior minister Jon Luopa, sending Jon on sabbatical, and a successful pledge drive focused on getting church staff on the salary matrix. He thanked all who came to conduct the business of the congregation, and closed by thanking Alicia Grace for her commitment and counsel over the past church year.

Lu-Ann Branch, Treasurer, provided the Treasurer's report and introduced the budget for fiscal year 2007/08. She noted that the church is on good footing financially. With the success of the pledge drive, the church is able to fund some initiatives that were not possible in the past. To create priorities for the budget, the Board listened to the congregation and set priorities accordingly.

Board initiated budget priorities included:

1. Placing staff members and ministers on the UUA salary matrix.
2. Begin pre-funding the ministers' sabbaticals.
3. Funds for an audit. The last audit was done six years ago so the church is due.
4. Funding for the Living Justice Fund and the Social Justice Fund.

Lu-Ann thanked David Bauman and Susan Howlett for serving as chairs of the pledge drive. She also thanked the Board for increasing its pledges by more than 10%. In addition, she reviewed the budget creation process, and the role of the Treasurer. This year, the budget was created by the Executive Team in response to the priorities set by the Board. The Treasurer has evolved into more of a monitoring role, shifting away from managing the daily details. This affords the Treasurer more

time to focus on ensuring quality fiscal management and control and reacting to feedback from the congregation.

In the coming year, the Treasurer will be responsible for monitoring the following:

1. Investment Assets.
2. Capital and cash activity by giving reports at every Board meeting.
3. Oversee the audit.
4. Focus on listening to the congregation and its priorities.

It was moved, and seconded to vote on the fiscal year 2007/08 budget. The budget passed with more than the 2/3 support required by church bylaws.

Alicia Grace recognized the outgoing members of the Board, Leadership Development Committee, and the Moderator. Ken followed by thanking outgoing Board members Cheryl Stumbo and Lu-Ann Branch.

J.W. Harrington, Chair of the Leadership Development Committee, presented the slate of candidates for the Board, Moderator, and Leadership Development Committee:

Board of Trustees: Ed Belcher, Stacy Waddell Carlson, Ken Mundt

Moderator: Virginia Stout

Leadership Development Committee: Sally Davis, Ann Eacker, Judith Leconte, Zoë Meyers

All were approved by congregational vote.

There were three items of new business:

Sarajane Seigfriedt moved that the Board ask the investment committee and the social justice coordinator (or persons delegated by them) to lead the congregation in a 6 month study of socially responsible investing as defined and recommended by the UUA, and that they recommend to the Board a policy on socially responsible investing.

The motion was approved by congregational vote.

Richard Brooks moved that the congregation direct the Board to consider a return to the January–December fiscal year and that the Board present a recommendation at the next fiscal meeting.

The motion failed by congregational vote.

John Webber moved that the congregation request the Board to consider steps that would encourage more complete and timely distribution of information to the congregation about the nominees for elections, and to provide the congregation with timely information about the petition process.

The motion was approved by congregational vote.

Alicia Grace provided closing words, and the meeting was adjourned.