



Absentee Ballot

Congregational Meeting
Sunday, January 30, 2022

This Absentee Ballot will be invalidated for any proposed motion that is amended during the Congregational Meeting. By submitting this Absentee Ballot, I am aware that I am not allowed to vote during the Congregational Meeting.

The following items will be voted on at the special meeting. Please check the box next to your vote.

1. Proposed New UUC Bylaws (multiple motions)

a. *Article II. Membership: Section 2.3. Resignation or Removal*

Motion to select language for Section 2.3(d) of the proposed bylaws. (Requires passage by a majority)

Motion to approve the following language for Section 2.3(d) of the proposed bylaws: "A Member whose actions significantly limit or negatively impact the ability of the Church to fulfill its purposes as set forth in Art. I, Section 4 of these Bylaws, may be removed from membership by a joint decision of the Senior Minister and the President of the Board of Trustees. Such removal may be appealed to the Board of Trustees, following the process established by Board Policy."

YES

NO

If this motion does not pass, there will be no Section 2.3(d) in the proposed bylaws.

b. *Article III. Congregational Meetings: Section 3.1. Meetings*

Motion to select language for Section 3.1(a)(1) of the proposed bylaws. (Requires passage by a majority)

Motion to approve the following language for Section 3.1(a)(1) of the proposed bylaws: "Any Member may submit an item to include on the next annual meeting agenda at any time up to 21 days prior to the annual meeting. Such submittal shall include the text of any proposed resolution and must identify at least ten (10) Members who agree the item should be on the agenda."

YES

NO

If this motion does not pass, the following motion will be considered:

Motion to approve the following language for Section 3.1(a)(1) of the proposed bylaws: "Any Member may submit an item to include on the next annual meeting agenda at any time up to 10 days prior to the annual meeting. Such submittal shall include the text of any proposed resolution and must have ten (10) second motions to be considered."

YES

NO

If this motion does not pass, then there will not be a Section 3.1(a)(1) in the proposed bylaws.

c. *Article III. Congregational Meetings: Section 3.3. Presiding Officer*

Motion to select language for Section 3.3(c) of the proposed bylaws. (Requires passage by a majority)

Motion to approve the following language for Section 3.3(c) of the proposed bylaws: "The Moderator shall appoint a secretary to keep minutes and a teller to count the votes. The Moderator may also appoint a parliamentarian to interpret the rules of order."

YES

NO

If this motion does not pass, the following motion will be considered:

Motion to approve the following language for Section 3.3(c) of the proposed bylaws: "The Moderator shall appoint a secretary to keep minutes and a teller to count the votes. The Moderator shall also appoint a parliamentarian to interpret the rules of order."

YES

NO

If this motion does not pass, then there will not be a Section 3.3(c) in the proposed bylaws.

d. *Article IV. Elected Positions and Officers: Section 4.3. Nominations*

Motion to select language for Section 4.3(a) of the proposed bylaws. (Requires passage by a majority)

Motion to approve the following language for Section 4.3(a) of the proposed bylaws: "The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Nominating Committee to recruit, screen, and prepare a slate of candidates for open/unexpired Trustee or Moderator positions. The Nominating Committee shall be chaired by a Trustee who will not be a candidate in the coming election and shall include at least three (3) to five (5) additional Members who are not currently holding or seeking elected office. Any Member may propose prospective candidates to the Nominating Committee to serve as Trustee or Moderator. The Nominating Committee shall announce the nominations as a slate of candidates no later than 28 days before the Annual Meeting."

YES

NO

If this motion does not pass, the following motion will be considered:

Motion to approve the following language for Section 4.3(a) of the proposed bylaws: "A Nominating Committee consisting of seven members shall recruit, screen and prepare a slate of candidates consisting of one candidate for each open/unexpired Trustee, Moderator and Nominating Committee position. Nominating Committee members shall serve staggered two year terms and may serve two consecutive terms. Any Member may propose prospective candidates to the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall announce the nominations as a slate of candidates no later than 28 days before the Annual Meeting."

YES

NO

If this motion does not pass, then there will not be a Section 4.3(a) in the proposed bylaws.

e. Motion to replace the current UUC Bylaws as of February 1, 2022. (Requires passage by a two-thirds majority).

Motion to replace the current UUC Bylaws with Proposed UUC Bylaws including all language decisions made during this meeting. This change shall become effective on February 1, 2022.

YES

NO

2. Motion to adopt the 8th Principle (Requires passage by a two-thirds majority)

Move that UUC adopts the following as its 8th Principle: "We covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions."

YES

NO

Please sign and date this form. All ballots must be returned to the church office before 11:15 a.m. on January 30.

Signature _____

Date _____

Printed Name _____

If printed name cannot be verified against the list of members in good standing, this Absentee Ballot will not be validated for counting. Please contact Byron Krystad at 206-454-7723 for questions about your member standing.