

Shawnee Mission Unitarian Universalist Church
Annual Congregational Meeting
May 21st, 2017 After service
Sanctuary

INVITE everyone into a caring community
INSPIRE the search for spiritual growth
INVOLVE all in working for a peaceful, fair, and free world

Number of members present at start of meeting: 131
Number of members present at close of meeting: 122

Call to order: Marjorie Rice and Rev. Rose

- I. Update on Capital Campaign – work to be completed this summer
- II. Stewardship Campaign update – raised enough through pledges for operational budget
 - a. 207 households pledged
- III. 200 children registered/participating in RE

- IV. Brief Updates on activities that have been ongoing in church this year:
 - a. RE: Soul Matters
 - b. Social Justice Council
 - c. Pastoral Care Training
 - d. Photo directory
 - e. Recycling efforts throughout the church
 - f. Labyrinth

- V. Recent Board Updates:
 - a. Board composition update
 - b. Rental policy update
 - c. General Assembly 2017 and 2018 (hosted in Kansas City)

- VI. Proposed change in by-laws
Article VII/Sec. 1 (Officers) states, “The Secretary and the Treasurer shall be appointed by the Board.” Later, under Article IX/Sec. 2/a/ii/A it states, “The [Nominating] Committee shall make nominations at the annual meeting for all elected positions, including officers, trustees, and members of the Nominating Committee.”
 - Our proposed change suggests that officers be replaced with Vice President/President-Elect in this section to eliminate confusion and comport with reality, since the Board has always appointed the Secretary and Treasurer. Vice President is the only officer the Nominating Committee would nominate, and the only one that would be elected by the congregation.

The next paragraph, Article IX/Sec. 2/a/ii/B, states, “In nominating officers, the Nominating Committee shall first consider those trustees who are currently members of the Board.” This paragraph will be stricken as the Nominating Committee only

nominates one officer, the Vice-President, and that nominee will ordinarily not be a member of the current board.

Motion: "That the wording in Article IX/Sec. 2/a/ii/A be changed, with the phrase "**Vice President/President-Elect**" replacing the word "**officers.**" That sentence would read: "The [Nominating] Committee shall make nominations at the annual meeting for all elected positions, including ~~officers,~~ **Vice President/President-Elect**, trustees, and members of the Nominating Committee."

Further move to strike Article IX/Sec. 2/a/ii/B, to wit:

~~In nominating officers, the Nominating Committee shall first consider those trustees who are currently members of the Board.~~

Motion made by member of congregation, motion seconded
Unanimous vote, motion carries

VII. Election of new board members and nominating committee members

Motion to approve election of Jim Lenox and Logan Heley for two-year terms, current board member Jo Ella Hoyer, who was named to the board last fall to replace a new board member who resigned, to serve a second year, and Nancy Mays to serve as Vice-President, President, and then Past President. As well Daniela Williams and Scott Sovereign to serve on the Nominating Committee.

Motion made by member of the congregation, motion seconded
Unanimous vote, motion carries

VIII. Rev. Rose commented on the "three things" she prioritized this year: 1) financial stability, 2) pastoral care, and 3) worship

- a. Next three items of focus for the 2017/2018 year identified by Rev. Rose as: 1) General Assembly, 2) membership, and 3) use of space
- b. These will be cumulative

2017 Annual Congregational Meeting adjourned