

Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington

Approved Minutes of the December 12, 2010 Congregational Meeting

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Call to order by Steve Dillon, President, at 4:10 PM

Chalice Lighting and Reading by Reverend Mary Ann Macklin and Reverend Bill Breeden

Steve Dillon introduced Guy Loftman as Parliamentarian.

Board of Directors Governance Report

Steve Dillon, President, reported that the recent transition of the board to Policy Governance was going well.

Executive Minister's Report

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin reported that she was "amazed" with how well the Policy Governance model is working for us. Amy Taylor, a recent member of our Board, now serves as President of our Unitarian Universalist Association Heartland District, which is most appreciative of her service.

Treasurer

John Lawson, Treasurer, thanked the congregation for its financial support and reported that our operating budget is in the best shape it has been in for the last five years. He concluded that we were in an excellent position for the proposed capital campaign.

Leadership Cultivation Committee

Jan Skinner, chair of the Leadership Cultivation Committee, began by noting the recent change in the committee's name from Nominating Committee. The fall Leadership 101 training was highly successful. The Faith Formation 2020 Workshop opportunity was outlined and has the Committee's strong endorsement.

Motion: Approval of Minutes

The Board is empowered to approve minutes of this meeting at a future Board meeting.

Moved by Jan Skinner, second by Abby Gitlitz

Vote: approved unanimously

Motions: Proposed By-law Amendments

1. 4.9 Budget change: "10% or \$1,000 to whichever is greater" to "\$3,000".

Moved by Jan Skinner and Connie Loftman

Vote: approved unanimously

B. 5.53 Vice-President: delete "The Vice-President will also serve as Chairperson of the Council."

Moved by Jack King, Ruellen Fessenbecker

Vote: approved unanimously

Faith Formation 2020 Workshop Proposal

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin reported on the opportunity for this church to host a Faith Formation 2020 Workshop, designed to specifically address social justice issues. This workshop makes use of research on congregational trends in the next 20 years. The workshop would be

open to all church members without charge and for a small registration fee to congregants from area churches.

Clark Miller, chair of the Special Purposes Fund Committee, voiced the Committee's endorsement of the proposal to provide \$3,000 in support of this Workshop from the Lundin Special Purposes fund, which is intended to support social justice work.

Motion: Faith Formation 2020 Workshop funding

The Special Purposes Fund is directed to disburse the amount of \$3,000 from social justice funds for the Faith Formation 2020 Workshop scheduled in February, 2011.

Moved by Clark Miller, second by Connie Loftman

Vote: approved unanimously

Green Spaces Initiative: The Next Steps

Cynthia Port and Libby Devoe, co-chairs of the Green Spaces Initiative Taskforce, reported on recent developments and the next major step, which is a capital campaign to fund this initiative.

They provided the following cost breakdown of the all-inclusive plan:

- Exterior Site: \$340,000 (drainage, parking lots, sidewalks, traffic flow, landscaping, etc.)
- Courtyard: \$300,000 (re-grading, play equipment, pavilion, patio, landscaping, etc.)
- Building Upgrades: \$200,000 (windows, carpets, lighting, covered entry, etc.)
- Meeting Room: \$40,000 (Speakers, lighting, electrical, video)
- Maintenance Reserve Fund: \$60,000 (for ongoing maintenance needs)
- Future Growth Fund: \$40,000
- Social Justice 5%: \$50,000

The previous capital campaign compared with the current proposal as follows:

Year	Membership	Operating Budget	Capital Campaign
1997	300	\$168,000	\$725,000
2011	450	\$492,000	\$1,000,000

Reports were also made on how the 3% allocated for social justice initiatives in the last capital campaign was utilized, and the great value of "sweat equity" in realization of the last capital campaign's goals.

Motion: Green Spaces Initiative capital campaign

Start a capital campaign to fund our Green Spaces Initiative with 5% of the total raised dedicated to the Social Justice Fund.

Moved by Libby Devoe, second by Abby Gitlitz

Vote: approved unanimously

Motion: Thanks to Green Spaces Initiative Taskforce

The congregation thanks the Green Spaces Initiative Taskforce for their five years of hard work.

Moved by Jan Skinner, second by David Keppel

Vote: approved unanimously

Co-Ministers' Report and Closing Words

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin noted many congregants reported their fondest memories of church life were in contributing "sweat equity". Reverend Bill Breeden reported gratitude for serving a congregation with such enthusiasm, and they both offered closing words.

Quorum Report

Chis Haynes, Secretary, reported a quorum of 57 members in attendance (46 required).

Motion to Adjourn

Moved by David Cox, second by Jan Skinner

Vote: approved by acclamation

The meeting adjourned at 5:15