

**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH of Bloomington, IN**  
**Special Congregational Meeting, 12:30pm, October 28, 2001**

Jeff Vincent, President of the Board of Directors, welcomed those attending.

To determine if there was a quorum present, members were asked to stand and be counted. The count by Guy Loftman, Parliamentarian, indicated there were 123 members present, constituting a quorum. A membership roster of 325 members (attached) was circulated for signatures--123 members signed.

The Rev. Barbara Carlson gave the Invocation.

Having determined there was a quorum, the Special Congregational Meeting for consideration of the selection of minister, The Rev. Mary Ann Macklin, was called to order by Jeff Vincent, President of the Board of Directors. The meeting agenda was posted at the front of the room.

Jackie Hall presented the Ministerial Search Committee Report and Recommendation to call The Rev. Mary Ann Macklin in July 2002. The other members of the Ministerial Search Committee were introduced: Susan Bookout, Joan Caulton, Michael Denunzio, and Harlan Lewis.

Jeff Vincent called for the motion. *Connie Loftman moved that the Congregation call The Rev. Mary Ann Macklin to share our ministry in July 2002. Second by Dan Quilter.*

Discussion followed with various expressions of support and of concerns. One concern expressed was that there would be three part-time jobs with possible diffused responsibility, making for a possible administrative nightmare. Another was concerned with how much attention would be given to the Youth Group. One person commented that we would walk together toward the same goal. Another welcomed this co-ministry. Another spoke of when she was a teen and how well The Rev. Macklin led the Youth Group then and that she looks forward to having The Rev. Macklin here. Another stated that the fourth party to the co-ministry is the Congregation.

The Question was called. It was pointed out that the Bylaws require an affirmative vote of 80 percent of those members attending (99 members) to call a minister. *There was a voice vote. All voted affirmatively, except for one abstention.*

The Rev. Carlson left the room to call the Rev. Macklin to inform her of the vote. When she returned, she stated that The Rev. Macklin said, "Let the journey begin, and yeeha Buddha!!"

**Motion to adjourn passed.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Doris F. Wittenburg,  
Board Secretary