# Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 11:38am, June 2, 2024

**Presiding:** Kaye Cook **Secretary:** Megan Reynolds

# **Determination of Quorum and Voting Procedures:** Megan Reynolds

Megan determined a quorum was present with at least 121 members attending in person and on Zoom. UUCF has a congregation of 524 members, so this represents well over the necessary 10% of the congregation to establish a quorum. Megan then explained the online voting procedures. She noted that final vote counts would not be announced until the end of the meeting as a result of the online process.

## Consent Approval of Agenda: Kaye Cook

Kaye explained the unanimous consent process that was used to vote on the agenda, covenant, minutes from last year's annual meeting, and the motion to adjourn. She also explained the process to discuss and vote on the proposed bylaw amendment, proposed budget, and elections which is consistent with procedures used in past congregational meetings.

The motion to pass the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Chalice Lighting: Reverend David Miller

# Introduction of Parliamentarians: Kaye Cook

Wini Atlas and Steve Gold acted as parliamentarians for the annual meeting. Steve and Wini read the meeting covenant.

## Consent Approval of Annual Meeting Covenant: Kaye Cook

The motion to adopt the covenant was approved by unanimous consent.

## Consent Approval of Minutes from 2022 Annual Meeting: Kaye Cook

The motion to adopt the minutes was approved by unanimous consent.

Reflection: Rev. David Miller

Reverend David offered a reflection for the congregation.

#### **New Business:**

**Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws:** David Addis, Vice President David Addis explained the proposed changes and rationale behind them.

Mark Monson makes a motion to accept the proposed amendment to the Bylaws. Meredith Carr seconded the motion. No discussion. Members then used the electronic ballot to vote.

Proposed 2024-2025 Budget: Stacy Casey, Treasurer

Stacy Casey provided context for the proposed budget for the 2024-2025 congregational year. She shared slides that explained the budget that the Board suggested in detail and gave a thorough overview of the state of UUCF's finances.

Pete Krone made a motion to approve the budget. Meredith Carr provided a second. No discussion. Members then used the electronic ballot to vote.

**Elections:** Nancy Rooney, Co-Chair of Leadership and Nominating Committee
Nancy introduced four nominations for the UUCF Board of Directors, each for a 3 year term: Suzanne Leonard,
Marcia Tugendhat, and Gina Wells. Members then used the electronic ballot to vote.

Nancy introduced three nominations for the Leadership and Nominating Committee, each for a 2 year term: Rama K. Kotra, Hanh Michael, and Kathy Smerke. Members then used the electronic ballot to vote.

# **Expression of Gratitude for Outgoing Leadership:** Dillon Ginley, Assistant Treasurer On behalf of the Board, Dillon recognized all of the outgoing leadership:

- Board of Directors
  - Vicky Maldonado, David Michael, and Megan Reynolds
- Leadership and Nominating Committee
  - Kathy Wilson and Nancy Rooney
- Coordinating Team
  - o Adrian Hendricks
- Lay Ministers
  - o Rebecca Benner, Lay Minister for Worship

Presentation of Annual Awards: Robin Wilson, Marcia Tugendhat, Andrew Batcher, and Dillon Ginley

On behalf of the Coordinating Team, Robin Wilson presented the Bruce H. Birnbaum Volunteer Award to Peter Clark.

On behalf of the Religious Exploration Committee, Marcia Tugendhat presented the Bill Welch RE Award to James Cardona.

On behalf of the Social Justice Council, Marcia Simpkins presented the Howard & Agnes Sollenberger Social Justice Award to Loretta Rowe.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, David Addis presented the Founders Award to Kathy Smerke.

## Announcement of Board President for 2024-2025: Kaye Cooke

On behalf of the board, Kaye announced that Stacy Casey will be the 2024-2025 UUCF Board President.

## **Announcement of Voting Results:** Megan Reynolds

Megan announced the totals of the votes for motions.

• 96.6% of the members participating in voting approved the amendment to the Bylaws.

• 96.6% of the members participating in voting approved the proposed budget.

Megan announced all LNC and Board candidates were confirmed.

# Motion to Adjourn: Kaye Cook

Motion to adjourn the annual meeting was approved by unanimous consent.







