

Minutes Recorded on Sunday June 3rd, 2018

2018 Annual Congressional Meeting First Unitarian Church of Des Moines opened at 11:25 a.m.

483 Members are in the congregation.

73 members are required to be in attendance at the annual meeting to make quorum.

120 members were present on Sunday 6/3/2018 for the annual meeting.

Opening - Mike Stimson, President of the Board of Trustees

Call to Order - Barbara Royal, moderator. Al Powers appointed Parliamentarian

Review of the minutes of the 2017 Annual Meeting - Mike Stimson

Moved for approval by Bruce Martin

Seconded by Margaret Schultz

Approved by voice vote

Year in Review - Reverend Jennifer Brooks

(remarks were provided by Rev. Brooks)

Bylaw Revisions - Bill Brauch, Board Vice-President presented.

Specific bylaw revisions were discussed as noted in the meeting booklet.

Bruce Martin moved their adoption. Seconded by Terry Meek.

Gwen Harvey moved to amend the proposed revisions by inserting the word "fiscal" to the sentence in Amendment Article III, Section 2 in order to clarify whether it should be a calendar or fiscal year. The sentence currently reads "...has made a financial contribution of record during the year" and would be changed to "...record during the fiscal year"

Jean Rommes seconded. Amendment adopted.

Unanimous voice vote approved bylaws revisions as presented in the delegate packet, as amended during the meeting.

Annual Elections - Gene McCracken, Member of the Board of Trustees

Election of Board of Trustees:

Heidi Mannerter, Mike Lauer, and Sue Huber

Gene McCracken moved and Jean Rommes seconded

Voice vote approved unanimously

Approval of Endowment Committee:

Lisa Houchins, Lynn Fox

Gene McCracken moved and Bruce Martin seconded

Voice vote approved unanimously

Approval of Ministerial Search Committee: Patty Notch, Greg Nichols, Margaret Schultz, Hilary Hippen-Leek, Tim Wilson, Darin Jensen, Chelsea Hayes
Moved by Gene McCracken and seconded by Bill Paxson
Voice vote approved unanimously

Building Tomorrow Team Report – Presented by Steve Herwig

General Assembly Delegates - Mike Stimson presented. Delegates include: Heidi Lackmann, Debra Rodgers, Karen Lauer, Mike Lauer, Martha Stephenson, Ben Spick, Marian Stimson, Mike Stimson, Barb Royal, and Katie Allen, with Ellen Taylor an alternate.

Unsung UU award - Mike Stimson presented to Mary Hayes.

2018-2019 Operational Budget - Bill Brauch

Bruce Martin moved to approve original budget as proposed by the Board of Trustees as it appeared in the delegate packet for the meeting. Seconded by David Dubose. Bill Brauch noted that the Board has proposed amendments to the original budget that appears in the delegate packet and introduced an amended version, based on the results of Board budget forums held subsequent to passage of the original budget. Sally Boeckholt moved to approve the amended budget in lieu of the approved budget. The motion was seconded by Heidi Lackmann. Following extended discussion Doug Hoffman moved to cease debate. His motion was seconded by Dagny Fidler. Voice vote approved the motion to cease debate. The amended budget was then approved via unanimous voice vote.

Faith in Action partners - Katie Allen, Social Justice Counselor, presented

The Faith in Action partners for 2018-2019 are as follows:

Sept. - Oct. Planned Parenthood
Nov. - Dec. All Exito
Jan. - Feb. Family Promise
Mar. - Apr. Candeo
May - Jun. Young Women's Resource Center
Jul. - Aug. Urban Bike Ministries

Recognition of Retiring Board Of Trustees: Shelly Kaldenberg, Katy Philby, Steve Evans, and Mike Stimson - Bill Brauch

Extinguishing Chalice - Mike Stimson

Motion to adjourn the annual meeting was made by Harvey Harrison and seconded by Bruce Martin. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

(Minutes submitted by Marian Stimson, edited by Bill Brauch)