# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis Annual Meeting May 19, 2018

115 members out of 368 present

## Introduction

The meeting was called to order.

Craig Olbrich discussed how we are changing the annual meeting format this year to be more of a celebration, and that we were going to take a modified consensus approach instead of using Robert's Rules of Order, which is what the Board of Trustees had done all year.

### **Election Slates**

Craig presented the Board slate. They were elected unopposed. The Nominating Committee and Investment Committee candidate slates were not presented and will be handled after this annual meeting.

# **Budget & Financial**

Joan Rose gave a broad overview of our financial situation, our accomplishments, and the budget. She also discussed how the various Councils had participated in creating the budget this year, and that we have passed down many former line-item details to the Councils to control.

The motion "We the members of the UUFC vote to approve the operating budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year" was passed unanimously.

# **Building Status and Funding**

Craig and John Bailey talked about the Building project status and funding.

The sidewalk upgrades are still in process, but were included in the original budget. The dead trees that need to be removed are not a time-critical project, and can be paid for out of operating or reserve funds.

The previously unknown seismic retrofit costs are now known to take \$300 thousand, which can be reduced by volunteer labor, which we will take advantage of.

The flooring committee selected Marmoleum, with an industrial installation, which will cost about \$32 thousand.

As part of the overall discussion, it was noted that while we had an initial gap between what we pledged and what we needed for the new build, this adds to the gap. There are multiple ways to address that, and the board is currently working on that.

Two following two motions were introduced, discussed, and approved.

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- "We the members of the UUFC approve funding for the replacement of the Sanctuary floor from reserve funds".
- "We the members of the UUFC agree to extend the previously approved funding (original total of \$600k) for the Building Enhancement Project. This approval is granted until the end of the 2018-2019 Fiscal year. We agree to allow seismic upgrades to the RE Wing, Social Hall foundation, Sanctuary, and supporting roofing sections to be paid from these funds."

### **Bylaws Straw Vote**

The Bylaws committee, the Board, and Town Halls have worked all year on a complete revision of the bylaws for the congregation. There will be additional Town Halls to finalize the revision. In order to get a sense of the congregation of whether or not we were headed in the proper direction, we had a straw vote on the following motion:

"With the exception of exactly how we will provide financial oversight, we agree that the content of the new Draft Bylaws is both simple enough and complete enough to support our governance needs for the next 5 years.

I acknowledge that this vote in no way changes the current bylaws that are in effect at this time.

This also passed.

### **Accomplishments & Shared Governance**

Various people presented the results of the Town Halls, and other accomplishments of the year.