

UUFC Annual Meeting

May 15, 2016

Meeting called to order at 12:45pm

Sale of Adjacent House at 2935 NW Circle to the Corvallis Zen Circle

President Kyle Jansson gave a presentation with the pros and cons of selling the house next door to the Zen Circle. An engaged, and respectful, discussion followed. Most of the concern centered on parking. Robert's Rules of Order were respected, but not slavishly followed.

The motion to sell the house was seconded, and a paper ballot was taken. The final result was 155 to 18 in favor of selling the house to the Zen Circle.

Nominating Committee Presents Slate of Officers and Trustees for 2016-17

Russ Anderson presented the slate of officers and new trustees for the congregational vote. The slate was approved by unanimous vote.

Presentation of Building Design

Chris Bentley reviewed the wish list of the congregation, based upon congregational input over the past 1 ½ years through the World Cafes and multiple get-togethers during the past several months. The next step will be to get with an architect for a preliminary concept design. After the results of the Feasibility Study are in, they will then go back to the architect with actual dollar amounts available to support a new design.

Presentation of Finance Feasibility Study

Kyle described the Feasibility Study, and how all could participate, whether on-line or with a paper survey. He introduced Jeff Susor, of Praxis Nonprofit Strategies, as our consultant who will help us determine what our level of support is for a capital campaign.

40 households, representing a wide demographic, have been chosen for the interviews by Jeff. The questionnaire will be made available to everybody via the UUFC website.

Climate Change Investment Report

Sheryl Stuart announced the results of the Investment Committee's work to divest from fossil fuel investments: all of our investments carbon-free! In addition, they have invested \$20,000 with the Seeds for Sol, a Corvallis initiative to fund solar panel installations on homes.

Adoption of FY 2017 Budgets

Kyle presented the Operating Budget and noted that we were going to run a slight deficit this year. The past several years we have had surpluses, so the Board feels confident about finishing with a balanced FY17 budget at the end of the FY17 fiscal year. The proposal was moved and seconded, and passed unanimously.

Kyle presented the Building Research and Design Budget. This is a truly deficit budget for now. It is presented to track expenses and income for the building project separate from the operating project. The expenses will be covered by revenue raised in the capital campaign. It was moved, seconded, and also passed unanimously.

Religious Education

Michael Molk presented the theme, “Who are UU? Putting our Principles into Practice” for next year’s Religious Exploration Program and requested volunteers.

He also requested volunteers for the Sunday summer school – Summer Creative Sundays.

Michael presented a new community service project for all ages – the new Willamette Park Community Garden. We have rented space for volunteers to garden to produce food for the food banks and soup kitchens.

A President’s Perspective: The Year in Review and the Year Ahead

Kyle presented his views of the good work we had accomplished in the past year, and looked towards the new year.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45pm.