UUFCO Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting

January 20, 2019

Led by: Martha Rudolph, Board President

Called to Order: 10:14 PM

Minutes written by: Erika Beard-Irvine, Recording Secretary

Quorum confirmed by count of members. Rev Scott Rudolph opened the meeting with a chalice lighting. MR recognized all Board committee members for the work they do.

Visioning Process

Susan Kinney gave an update on the visioning process. Over 90 people have participated so far, either by attending one of the Saturday morning meetings, leaving a comment at the kiosk, or completing the on-line survey. She encouraged anyone who still wants to contribute to send in their comments, and she reviewed highlights. A vision statement will be crafted and presented to congregation this spring. Anyone interested in crafting a vision statement should contact Susan or Marty Rudolph.

Growing Together Task Force

Marean Jordan and Mark Hickman gave an update on the task force's work. They thanked the congregation for their openness and flexibility in transitioning to a two-service schedule. The single service capacity in the sanctuary is 300+. 3 of the first 16 Sundays with 2 services had in excess of 300 on Sunday morning. 8 of 16 had over 270 people (94% capacity). Average attendance is up by about 30 people per Sunday each Sunday since last fall. At the request of parents and some teachers, RE was moved to the first service, which also gives the opportunity to get to know the kids during community hour. It also allows for more flexibility in length of services. We continue to look at parking improvements. Summer schedule will begin on June 15, and we will change to a single 10am service for the summer.

Bylaw Change

Max Merrill was asked to look into proxy voting for people who are out of town for meetings. There is nothing in the bylaws about proxy voting, so he looked at rules for nonprofits in Oregon. If there is nothing in the bylaws prohibiting proxy voting, it is allowed. He has given Marty a form for use for future proxy voting. While reviewing the bylaws, Max and Marty realized that there are a lot of things in the bylaws that require a vote by written ballot. Ballots are time-consuming with checking people in and distributing and counting ballots. Voice votes are allowed, so Max would like the Board to look into voice votes in the future.

Marty reviewed the bylaw changes for the Leadership Development Committee. It was noted that article 14 states that we are part of the Pacific Northwest District, but the name has changed to the Western Region. [After the meeting, Chela confirmed that UUFCO is a member of the Pacific Northwest District of the Pacific West Region.] Ballots were completed, collected, and counted by Chela Sloper and Jenn Egan. 85 people voted yes, and one person abstained.

Leadership Development Committee Update

Amy Falkenrath gave a report on the work of the LDC which is entering its nomination season. The LDC is looking for members of the Endowment Committee, the Leadership Development Committee, and 2 Board positions. She reviewed the qualifications of the various positions and encouraged anyone who feels that they are interested in a position but feels that they are not

qualified to contact an LDC member (Leslie Koc, Marean Jordan, Michael Carr, Amy Falkenrath). Questions were answered.

Financial Update

Fletcher Chamberlain reviewed the UUFCO finances. Questions were answered.

Stewardship Committee Update

Michael Carr gave an update of the Stewardship Committee and the upcoming stewardship campaign which starts in February. The Stewardship Committee is encourage people to help fill out a banner reflecting on UUFCO to help with the stewardship campaign kick off next month.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:52am