

Unity Church of Raleigh 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2021

Welcome

The meeting began with an opening prayer by our minister, Rev. Ellen Barron.

Board President Andy Anderson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 11:45 AM. Andy introduced the board members and their current roles: Mary Butler (Vice President), Laura Dearth (Treasurer), Sharon Tamar (Secretary), Shamil Zah (Member-at-Large), McCale Penven-Crew, (Member-at-Large) and Rev. Ellen Barron, Ex-Officio Member. There were 23 members present.

Andy noted the purpose of the meeting was to look back over the UCR fiscal year (June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2021), review activities and to report on what to look forward to in the coming year.

Andy explained that this year's meeting normally held in June was delayed because of the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions for indoor gatherings. He stated that the 2021 Annual Meeting packet was mailed to all members in accordance with our Bylaws, and the packet included an Information Sheet, Meeting Agenda, 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes and Financial Report, and 2021 Election Forms. He further stated that eligible members were requested to vote, sign-date and return the 2021 Elections form by regular mail, e-mail, or drop off at the church.

Presentation of the 2020 Minutes

Secretary Sharon Tamar summarized the minutes from last year and invited members to ask questions or make comments. There were no other questions or comments. A motion was made by Rev Ellen Barron to accept the minutes and was seconded by Melanie Raskin. The minutes were approved with a verbal vote: All in favor with no one opposed.

Board Member Requirements

Andy referred everyone to the 2021 Annual Meeting packet for details.

Board Elections

Andy stated that there are currently two open board position with a 3-year term: Laura Dearth has agreed to run for re-election for a second 3-year term. Betty Sari has been nominated for the 3-year term being vacated by Sharon Tamar.

Andy called for a vote. The 2 nominees were elected unanimously.

Nominating Committee Elections

Andy announced the incoming 2022 Nominating Committee members, who will recruit and interview the Board Member candidates. They are Sharon Shehdan and Peggy King. A motion was made by Melanie Raskin to accept the slate for nominating committee. Dianne Evans seconded. This motion was approved by a verbal vote.

Finance Report

Board Treasurer Laura Dearth presented the Finance Report for the period June 2020 through May 2021. This report was mailed in the Annual Meeting Information packet to all voting members of the congregation prior to the meeting.

Team Reports

Question and Answer Time

There were none.

Conclusion

Rev. Ellen then gave the Closing Prayer, and the meeting adjourned at 12:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Tamar

Board Secretary