

## Unity of Bellevue Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Unity of Bellevue Board of Directors was held on Sunday, April 10, 2011 at 12:40 PM. Members in attendance: Martha Douglas, BJ Hudgins, Jeff Kaylin, Howard Lamb, Dorothy Nelson, rita Schwarting, Rev. Nancy Worth.

Guests: Silvan Strandwold, Erin McDonald, Doug Stearns

The regular meeting was called to order by President rita Schwarting.

1. Opening prayer was led by Rev. Nancy Worth.
2. Silvan Strandwold, Chair of the Nominating Committee, introduced the Slate of Candidates for the open Board positions in May; each person spoke briefly. Martha Douglas, whose current terms expire in May, is the candidate to serve the two-year term. Erin McDonald and Doug Stearns are candidates for the three-year terms.
3. Spiritual briefing was provided by Rev. Nancy Worth.
4. Secretary's Report:  
The minutes of the March 20, 2011 Board Meeting, both the regular and closed sessions, which were previously distributed by email were approved as corrected.
5. Treasurer's Report:  
Martha Douglas reviewed the preliminary financial report for March. March is the final month in our fiscal year and Michael Oliver is preparing the fiscal year end information which will be sent to the Board prior to the next meeting.
6. President's Report:  
rita Schwarting expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve as president for a second term.
7. Minister's Report:  
Rev. Nancy Worth previously emailed her Minister's Report to the Board. She highlighted her goals which have evolved from her small group meetings: establishing a dynamic Youth Ministry; identifying ways to welcome and retain first time visitors; offering a variety of classes for Personal Development based on Unity Programs; ways for social connection such as family movie nights; and small group ministry that will be rolled out in the Fall.
8. Unfinished Business  
The recommendations from the recent roof inspection is to re-roof the entire building rather than do it in two stages and to complete the project by the end of this summer. This will be an agenda item at the Annual meeting.
9. New Business
  - a. The services of outgoing Board Members rita Schwarting and BJ Hudgins will be recognized by a donation of \$1,000.00 made in each of their names for their favorite charities.
  - b. To bring the Board of Director Policies in alignment with the Bylaw Section 4.05 Board of Directors – Election, Rev. Nancy Worth moved that the changes be made to the Board of Directors policy Section 1 as indicated in the following text.

The motion was adopted.

"Unity of Bellevue Board of Directors Policy Manual, Section 1 – Board of Directors as related to Bylaw Section 4.05 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS – ELECTION (Amended April 2011)

**(a) – Qualifications**

No employee or anyone receiving money from the Church shall serve on the Board of Directors; also, no Board Member shall be the spouse, parent, or child of another Board Member, permanent employee or person receiving money from the Church, the Minister, or the Associate Minister.

**(b) – Nominating Committee**

1. The Nominating Committee shall take into consideration the Board of Director's input regarding the performance and qualifications of incumbent Board Members who wish to be candidates for re-election.
2. A Board Member wishing to run for re-election to the Board may not serve on the nominating committee. If the nominating committee member selected by the congregation wishes to be eligible to be nominated, she/he will relinquish her/his position on the committee and the congregation's alternate selection shall serve in her/his place.

Added Policy adopted Monday, February 16, 2009

3. The Nominating Committee, when complete, (By-Law Section 4.05 (b)) gathers for a process of discernment and creates a list of candidates, to be invited by the Committee, to serve. One candidate for each available seat on the Board of Directors is presented to the Annual Membership Meeting for acclaim.

**(c) – Process**

The slate of new and returning candidates is announced prior to the Annual Membership Meeting and their pictures and bios are posted in the church as well. At the Annual Membership Meeting each candidate will speak briefly expressing their interest in serving.

Any Active Member who would like to be considered for future Board service need only write a letter of intent to the Board President. This candidate will be given full consideration by the Nominating Committee in the event of a vacancy for an un-expired term or for a full term in the future."

10. Closing and adjournment

- a. Rev. Nancy closed the meeting with prayer.
- b. Next meeting - Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 12:30 pm.
- c. Reports and minutes are on file in the Secretary's Archive.
- d. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.



BJ Hudgins, Secretary

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