

Unity of Bellevue Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Unity of Bellevue Board of Directors was held on Sunday, March 20, 2011 at 12:30 PM. Members in attendance: Martha Douglas, BJ Hudgins, Jeff Kaylin, Howard Lamb, Dorothy Nelson, rita Schwarting, Rev. Nancy Worth.

Guest: Beverly Daugherty, Business Director

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

1. Opening prayer was led by Rev. Nancy Worth.
2. Spiritual briefing was provided by Rev. Nancy Worth.
3. Secretary's Report:
The minutes of the February 20, 2011 Board Meeting, both the regular and closed sessions, which were previously distributed by email were approved as corrected.
4. Treasurer's Report:
Martha Douglas reviewed the financials for February - distributed previously via email.
5. President's Report:
rita Schwarting reported that all is good.
6. Minister's Report:
Rev. Nancy previously emailed her Minister's Report to the Board. She advised that Michael Oliver is investigating accepting pledges through monthly bank drafts.
7. New Business
 - a. The change made to the Bylaws in 2010 to reduce the number of Directors on the Board to six, requires an adjustment in the terms of the candidates being elected in 2011 so that each subsequent year there will be two open positions on the Board. BJ Hudgins moved that for the election of the three Board members at the 2011 Annual Meeting to fill the three (3) open positions, two candidates be elected to serve 3-year terms and one (1) candidate be elected to serve a 2-year term in order to comply with Bylaw Section 4.04 Board of Directors - Members. And that the candidates select among themselves who will serve the 2-year term." The motion was adopted.
 - b. Following his report on Going Green at Unity, Howard Lamb moved that the Board adopt the policy - "Unity of Bellevue strives to demonstrate ecological stewardship through its decisions and choices in ways that promote sustainability". The motion was adopted after discussion.
 - c. Martha Douglas and Rev Nancy presented the annual budget for 2011-2012. Martha moved that the annual budget with the discussed income changes be approved. The motion was adopted.
 - d. BJ Hudgins moved that the Bylaw Section 4.05 Board of Directors - Election paragraphs (b) and (d) be changed from specifying the number of candidates to indicating "open positions on the Board" as follows:

“(b) Nominating Committee. A Nominating Committee shall be formed at least three (3) months prior to the Annual Membership Meeting, and shall initiate a search for one (1) qualified candidate for each open position on the Board of Directors. The Committee shall consist of the Minister and three (3) Members selected in the following manner:...”

“(d) Election. Votes for Directors shall be cast by ballot only if there are more nominations than there are open positions. In the event of a vote by ballot, the nominees receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to the Board of Directors.”

The motion was adopted. These Bylaw changes will be presented to the Membership at the Annual Meeting in May for adoption.

8. Closing and adjournment

- a. Rev. Nancy closed the meeting with prayer.
- b. Next meeting - Sunday, April 10, 2011 at 12:30 pm.
- c. Reports and minutes are on file in the Secretary's Archive.
- d. Meeting adjourned at 3:07PM.



BJ Hudgins, Secretary

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