Minutes of the First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit

Annual Congregational Meeting, 2010

Liberate the truth, Radiate kindness, and Love courageously

<u>Call to Order</u>: The Annual Congregational Meeting of 1st U-U of Detroit was called to order at 1:00 PM, May 31, 2010 by President Marilyn Mitchell. The meeting was held in McCollester Hall.

Roll Call/Quorum: Current Board members were all present. Secretary Alma King confirmed that a quorum of congregation members was present.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>: Approval of the 2009 Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes as presented, moved by Kathe Stevens. **Passed**

President's Remarks: Marilyn Mitchell

- All members needed to help out; volunteer support is greatly needed.
- Thanks to Alma King as outgoing Secretary; Linda Darga who stepped in to be Treasurer; and thanks to Sally Borden and Elayne Sikelianos for stepping up to serve as board members when asked.

New Business:

A. Election—Jim Harvey, Nominating Committee Chair presented the slate. Printed ballot for officers included Marilyn Mitchell for President; Bill McKnight for Vice-President; Linda Darga as Treasurer; Kathleen Johnson as Secretary. For Trustees: 2 year terms--Dan Rebb, Sally Borden. 1 year terms: Dessa Cosma, Elayne Sikelianos. Nominating Committee: Ruth Seifert, Ivan Cotman, Don Clark, Toni Tront, Edie McKnight. Memorial Fund Committee: Janice Berry; GA Delegate: Mary Lou Malone.

- 1. Additional Election Nominations from the Floor:
 - Julie Brock for Trustee 1year term. Nominated by Kathe Stevens
 - Dave Lingholm for Treasurer. Nominated by Alicia Biggers.
 - Lee Gaddies for President. Nominated by Alicia Biggers.
 - Erin Martinez for Trustee 1 year term. Nominated by Alicia Biggers.
 - Robert Johnson for Trustee 2 year term. Nominated by Alicia Biggers.
- 2. Subsequently, Linda Darga withdrew her name for consideration as Treasurer; Elayne Sikelianos withdrew her name for consideration as 2 year Trustee.
- 3. Each remaining candidate was allowed a minute and a half to make a statement as to why he or she should be elected.
- 4. FINAL Elected Officers, Trustees, etc. for 2009-2010 are:

President	Marilyn Mitchell	Trustee—2 year	Sally Borden
Vice President	Bill McKnight	Trustee—2 year	Robert Johnson
Treasurer	David Lingholm	Trustee—1 year	Dessa Cosma
Secretary	Kathleen Johnson	Trustee—1 year	Julie Brock

Results continued:			
Nominating Committee	Edie McKnight*Most votes—will be convener per by-laws. Other members: Ivan Cotman; Toni Tront; Ruth Seifert; Don Clarke	Memorial Funds Committee	Janice Berry 1year term
		UUA/GA Delegate	Mary Lou Malone.

- 5. **Annual Report for 2009-2010**. Some copies distributed. Copies will be available online(website). Anyone needing a printed copy can contact Jenn in the office to receive one.
- 6. Financial Report—Linda Darga, Treasurer. Tentative budget Included in the Annual Report. A more complete budget will be presented to the congregation in September for a vote. A finance committee is being formed. Anyone is welcome to join. Thanks to Janet Thompson and Glenn Maxwell for their work on the Canvass. (Canvass report submitted by Jan Thompson.)
- 7. **Interim Search Committee Report**. Members: Robert Johnson, Julie Brock, Bill McKnight, Sean Gray, Sally Borden as Chair. Seven candidates. Phone interviews to begin this week.

Announcements:

- 1. Motor City Pride in Ferndale. Sharing a table with Farmington UU. Sunday, June 6; 11 am to 7 pm. Contact Dessa to volunteer.
- 2. U.S. Social Forum. June 22-26. Workshop approved to be presented "UU Values & Social Justice Actions." 200-300 participants to stay at 1st UU over the week. Special price tickets for \$10 can be obtained. See Dessa for tickets or to volunteer time.
- 3. Thanks to 1st UU for hosting the Young Adult Conference in April. (Julie)
- 4. A Newsletter editor is needed. Contact Marilyn, if interested!
- 5. New Board will have workshop conducted by Past President Alicia Biggers in Policy governance. Time to be arranged. (Marilyn)
- 6. Ideas from newcomer Audra Sargent: (1) Have a summer yard sale as a fund raiser. (2) Produce a book from 1stUU members as to why they are members.

The Meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Alma King, Secretary (To be approved at the 2011 Congregational Annual Meeting.)