UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF SARASOTA

Annual Meeting

March 20, 2016

Call to Order
The annual meeting was called to order at 12:20pm by President Bill Payton with sufficient members either present or providing a proxy to constitute a quorum.

Approval of Previous Year's Minutes
Motions to dispense with a reading of the 2014 Annual Meeting minutes and approve them without correction was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Report of the Nominating Committee
Serving as Chair of the Nominating Committee, Catherine Bonner presented the slate of nominees for the Board of Trustees (officers and new members):

- President: Charles Lee
- Vice President: Ward Pallotta
- Treasurer: Bill Payton
- Secretary: John Yoder
- Mary Lou Keller; 3 Year Term
- Ava Whaley; 3 Year Term
- Dale Anderson; 1 Year Term

Receiving no nominations from the floor, a motion to approve the slate of proposed officers and members was made, seconded and passed.

The following slate of nominees for new Nominating Committee members was presented:

- Tony Dalsimer
- Mary Fran Raynault
- Donna Allman

Receiving no nominations from the floor, a motion to approve the slate of proposed new members was made, seconded and passed.

2015-16 Year-End Results
Roberta Druif, Director of Finance and Church Operations, provided a summary overview of the current year's church operating performance. Overall results were positive with income slightly less than expected, but expenses also at lower levels providing for a positive net cash position. Roberta recognized our congregation's strong individual and collective volunteer efforts on behalf of the church. She also expressed appreciation for each staff person, noting special gratitude for Rev. Roger Fritts and departing board members Julie Leach and Bill Payton.

2016-17 Budget Review and Approval
Julie Leach reviewed the 2016-17 church operating budget noting a proposed 7% increase in expenses and 12% increase in membership. She highlighted the board's decision to recommend moving staff salaries into line with UUA guidelines for Mid – Large UU congregations in the South East US region. She noted that the budget if approved, would be dependent on a successful Stewardship Campaign, now in progress. A motion to approve the 2016-17 budget as proposed was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Bill Payton recognized the UUCS congregation as a vital force for good. He expressed appreciation to the current and departing board members and other volunteer leaders for their commitment of time and effort. Bill thanked each of the church's very capable full and part time staff with special appreciation for Roberta and our minister Roger Fritts.

Charles Lee was welcomed as the board's new President. Charles thanked the congregation for their support and work on behalf of the church. He expressed singular regard and appreciation for Bill Payton's service. The congregation responded with a standing ovation.

Bill closed the meeting thanking the group for the privilege of serving our beloved church. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Yoder
Secretary