

First Parish Church United Annual Meeting Minutes 2019

Meeting Begin Time: 12:15 pm

Meeting End Time: 1:50 pm

Agenda:

Opening Prayer – Kathleen Hepler

See warrant agenda

Action Items

Item	Responsible Party	
Meet with Claire on record retention	Lesley Macomber	
Investigate how committees store documents	Lesley Macomber	
Global Church retention	Lesley Macomber	

Decisions

1	Acceptance of annual meeting minutes from 2018	Approved
2	Accept interim minister report	Approved
3	Accept deacons report	Approved
4	Accept Pastoral relations transitions committee report	Approved
5	Accept Prudential Committee Report	Approved
6	Accept the Auditor's Report for the fiscal year FY 2018, along with the adjusted Treasurer's Report of FY2017.	Approved with 1 abstention
	Accept the Treasurers Report	Approved
7	Accept the Investment Committee	Approved
8	Accept the Pulpit Supply Committee	Approved
9	Accept amended motion to accept Reports from committees appointed by the Prudential Committee not requested for hold but not reports included (Technology and Green Action) Common Threads Personnel	Approved
	Accept reports for committees held (see below)	Approved
10	Adopt the budget for FY2020	Approved
11	Bylaw amendments	Approved
12	Elect positions	Approved
13	New business: Recycle plastic cups	Approved
14	Motion to adjourn	Approved
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Notes:

- Propose that we have someone to summarize what is in the report rather than read the entire report
- Propose to integrate music with youth programs to engage students in church
- Membership committee should maintain contact with church students as they age past the RE program
- Social Justice activism may make some members uncomfortable. Discussion around taking the activism outside of the church to create boundaries between spirituality vs social justice orientation. Proposal to hold a forum on spirituality vs social justice for people to be able to express opinions and concerns. Dirkje Legerstee
- As we consider changes to the Bylaws, or our HR policies, we should consider a process for terminating elected officers and under what circumstances this would be done. General terminology is "Recall of elected officer".

New fundraiser ideas

- Bingo (Rock and Roll or other)

Held Committee summary reports

- Religious Education Committee (Jen S)
- Personnel
- Social Justice (Tom Clay)
- Property (Bob Shaw)
- Minister search committee (Charlie Trantanella)

Motion:

The motion to elect all officers for two year terms. To phase into this plan, the clerk and assistant treasurer would be elected this year for one year and the auditor and treasurer would be elected for two years this year. This election counts as the first year in the term limits.

- The motion was approved

Vote to accept originally amended bylaw:

- 23 in favor of the originally worded amendment
- 10 opposed

