

Unitarian Church of Edmonton

Annual General Meeting - May 3, 2020

Call to Order: 11:45 a.m. by President Karen Mills

Reading of Congregational Call by secretary, Gloria Krenbrenk

Adoption of Rules of Procedure: As this meeting is being conducted online via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown, the Rules of Procedure are somewhat different. **Moved** by Yvonne Mireau, **seconded** by Will Adair, that the Rules of Procedure (attached) be adopted. **CARRIED**

Approval of Agenda: **Moved** by Brandie Moller-Reid, **seconded** by Lynn Wolff, that the May 3, 2020 UCE AGM Agenda be adopted. **CARRIED.**

Approval of 2019 AGM Minutes: **Moved** by Marge Roche, **seconded** by Sheila Parr, that the minutes of the May 5, 2019 Annual General Meeting be approved, with one correction, being the spelling of "Bilida". **CARRIED**

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS

Reports were and are posted to the uce.ca website under the tab "Church Business".

There were no questions arising from the reports. **Moved** by Jennifer Hinchcliffe, **seconded** by Lynn Turvey, that the annual committee reports be accepted as presented for information purposes. **CARRIED**

FINANCES

Auditor's Report was presented by Larry Charach. **Moved** by Larry Charach, **seconded** by Lynn Wolff, that the Auditor's Report be accepted. **CARRIED**

Canvass Report was presented by Andrew Mills. **Moved** by Andrew Mills, **seconded** by Yvonne Mireau, that the Canvass Report be accepted. **CARRIED**

Financial Report was presented by Doug Eastwell. **Moved** by Doug Eastwell, **seconded** by Brandie Moller-Reid, that the Financial Report be accepted. **CARRIED**

Setting of Operating Budget for 2020-2021 - The proposed operating budget was screen shared by the President, reviewed and questioned. A copy of the proposed operating budget was and is available on the uce.ca website under "Church Business".

Moved by Doug Eastwell, **seconded** by Yvonne Mireau, that the operating budget as presented be approved.

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Moved by Larry Charach, **seconded** by Susan Ruttan, that the above motion be **amended** such that the budget be approved contingent upon the board bringing to a congregational meeting in November 2020, a review of the budget with a report as to its viability, and if not considered viable, then a proposed revised budget. The vote: 30 opposed, 4 abstentions, 28 in favour. The amendment is **DEFEATED**.

Returning to the original motion by Doug Eastwell, seconded by Yvonne Mireau, that the operating budget as presented be accepted. **CARRIED**

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT AND ELECTIONS – Beth Jenkins and Erin Thackeray

Beth Jenkins clarified that with an online meeting, there is no mechanism for a secret ballot which is required by UCE bylaws should there be more than one nomination for a particular position. Therefore, in this unusual circumstance, nominations from the floor were not called for.

Board of Trustees

Past President - Karen Mills will move into the Past President position.

President - Moved by Beth Jenkins, seconded by Yvonne Mireau, that **Karen Bilida** be declared elected President by acclamation. Carried

Vice President – Moved by Beth Jenkins, seconded by Erin Thackeray, that **Kathy Stanley** be declared elected Vice President by acclamation. Carried.

Treasurer – Doug Eastwell was elected in 2019 for a 2 year term and will continue.

Secretary – Moved by Beth Jenkins, seconded by Lynn Wolff, that **Gloria Krenbrenk** be declared elected Secretary by acclamation. Carried.

Trustees – Yvonne Mireau is leaving the board, having completed 6 years. Thank you to Yvonne for her dedicated service.

- Brandie Moller-Reid was elected in 2019 for a 2 year term and will continue.

- Moved by Beth Jenkins, seconded by Rosemary Falconer, that **Jennifer Askey** and **Robert Begg** be declared elected Trustees by acclamation. Carried.

- Kathy Stanley was elected in 2019 for a 2 year term, but is now moving into the Vice-President position, leaving a trustee position vacant. In such a situation, the Board may appoint a trustee to fill that position for the one year remaining in the term. The Leadership Committee will provide the board with names of those willing to serve.

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Ministerial Relations Committee - Moved by Beth Jenkins, seconded by Rosemary Falconer, that **Vic Romanyshyn** and **Lynn Wolff** be declared elected by acclamation. Carried. Continuing members of the committee are Ministerial Relations Committee are Sylvia Krogh and Lillias Cowper.

Leadership Committee - Moved by Erin Thackeray, seconded by Yvonne Mireau, that **Beth Jenkins** and **Donna Hamar** be elected by acclamation. Carried. Ongoing members of the Leadership Committee are Rosemary Falconer and Erin Thackray.

CONFIRMATION OF CUC ANNUAL MEETING DELEGATES

Moved by Karen Bilida, **seconded** by Jennifer Hinchcliffe, that Karen Mills, Karen Bilida and Susan Ruttan attend the online CUC annual meeting as UCE delegates. **CARRIED**

APPOINTMENT OF UCE AUDITORS

Moved by Beth Jenkins, **seconded** by Sylvia Krogh, that auditors appointed for the upcoming year be Larry Charach, Karen Bilida, Gerard Hayduk and Stephen Greenhalgh. **CARRIED.**

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Beth Jenkins, **seconded** by Yvonne Mireau, that the meeting be adjourned at 1:44 p.m. **CARRIED**


Gloria Krenbrenk, Secretary

Rules of Procedure 2020

Holding the meeting virtually requires a few shifts in process. Please review the Rules of Procedure before the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Mills (karenmills@me.com, 780-432-0826).

To Speak – If you wish to speak, please:

1. If you are using Zoom online - raise your hand physically or use your “raised hand” icon and wait until the chair acknowledges you before speaking.
If you are using Zoom via phone – press *9 and wait until the chair acknowledges you before speaking.
2. State your name, so the secretary can maintain accurate records.
 - A member may speak for not more than three minutes at any one time unless this time limit is extended by two-thirds consent of the members present and voting.
 - No one may speak twice on a particular question unless all members who wish to speak on that question have had the opportunity to do so.
 - The mover of a motion may speak at the time the motion is made, and again at the close of debate.
 - Individuals who are not members may speak, at the discretion of the chair, after all members have had the opportunity to speak on any motion.

Motions – Please make your motions orally. Only members may introduce motions.

Limit on debate – Not more than 20 minutes is allowed for debate on any given motion, except by two-thirds consent of the members present and voting, when debate on the motion may be extended for a further period or periods of 15 minutes.

Other Rules of Procedure – Our bylaws direct that we use Robert’s Rules of Order.

Voting Requirements – Only members who have been members for at least 60 days (i.e., since March 3, 2020) may vote.

Voting procedure:

For each motion, the chair will ask for a show of hands (or *9 for those on a phone), first for those opposed, then for those abstaining, and finally for those in favour. We acknowledge this is the opposite order from Robert’s Rules, but are suggesting this process as it is easier to navigate online and should contribute to a more efficient meeting.