

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Church
of Rockford
Sunday, June 11, 2017**

The Annual Meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockford was called to order by President Teresa Wilmot. A quorum was determined to be present and Teresa reviewed the Rules of Procedure for a congregational meeting.

The Minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting were approved by a voice vote.

The President noted that the Annual Report is available online and in the church office upon request.

Wendy Bennett moved that the slate of officers be approved by the congregation:

President: Rebecca Quirk – 1 year term

Vice President: Ross Ticknor – 1 year term

Clerk: Sue Molyneaux – 1 year term

Treasurer: Susan Caravello – 1 year term

Trustee: Pam Wilson – 3 year term

Note that Matt Menze and Skip Abare will continue to serve as Trustees.

The motion was seconded by Sandy Campbell and approved by the congregation.

Wendy Bennett moved that new members of the Nominating Panel be approved.

Teresa Wilmot – 2 year term

Barb Giolitto – 2 year term

Note that Wendy Larson Bennett, Nikki Ticknor, and Annie Ryan will continue to serve for a second year on the Nominating Panel.

The motion was seconded by Susan Caravello and approved by the congregation.

Susan Caravello moved that a Capital Reserve Permanent Fund be created using existing 70% of the existing Church Improvement Fund. Both the Capital Reserve Permanent Fund and the Church Improvement Fund will be part of our Permanent Funds as of July 1, 2017. Wendy Bennett seconded the motion which was approved by the congregation.

Susan Caravello moved that the 2016-2017 Permanent Fund Income Allocations be approved as follows:

Intern Ministry	\$3,400
Building & Grounds Budget	8,200 (used for ongoing repairs)

Capital Reserve	\$6,100 (placed in reserve for larger projects)
Growth Programs	11,100 (to subsidize Membership Coord.)
Outreach (Justice)	2,300
Religious Education	1,400 (curriculum supplies, etc.)
Other Designated Funds	500 (flowers, leadership)
TOTALS	\$33,000

Dale Dunnigan second the motion which was approved.

Myra Lake moved that the congregation approval the Social Outreach Tash Force recommendations as follows:

Action for Children: Purchase uniforms and other supplies for children, the “Families in Transition” program.
Social Justice Recommendation: \$1,000.00

All Church Social Outreach Project: Funds our Racial Justice and other programs.
Social Justice Recommendation: \$1,300.00

Skip Abare seconded the motion which was approved by the congregation.

Rev. Matthew Johnson presented an update on “Preserving the past, Building the Future” campaign. An additional donation has been made for \$3,000 for the purpose of updating our lighting to increase energy savings. An additional \$308 will come out of Capital Campaign funds. We will receive approximately \$7,000 worth of lighting for our \$3,308.

In gratitude for Martha Daniels’ bequest Susan Caravello presented a recommended list of disbursements of Martha Daniels final bequest to the church.

- \$ 6,200 to be used for LaunchPad Consulting for work in fall, 2017.
- \$12,000 to be placed in Deficit Reserve Fund
- \$18,400 to be used for front door replacement project
- \$40,000 to be set aside to create a scholarship fund in Martha’s honor
- \$40,000 (or remainder) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Permanent Fund

Dale Dunnigan moved to approve this list of disbursements; Barb Giolitto seconded and the motion was approved.

Susan Caravello presented the 2017-2018 Operating Budget for approval. Sue Molyneaux moved the budget be approved, Wendy Bennett seconded, and the congregation voted to approve.

A budget amendment was moved by Susan Caravello, If an organization leases or rents space from the church, the budget may be amended by the Board of Trustees

to account for any income and related expenses, including realtor fees, capital improvements and utility costs. Income over and above related expenses may be used as the board approves. A report of the rental income will be published in the Kairos. Peggy Menze seconded the motion, which carried.

Rebecca Quirk moved that the revised Bylaws, as published in the Kairos in May, be approved by the congregation. Susan Caravello seconded the motion, which carried.

Shiraz Tata moved that the congregation vote to add our name to the list of congregations supporting the UU College of Social Justice Declaration of Conscience. Shiraz read the Declaration for all to hear. Rebecca Quirk seconded the motion, which carried.

Rebecca Quirk recognized and thanked those completing terms of office in June.

Teresa Wilmot announced that the winner of the Charles Parker Connolly Away for community service is Duane Wilke.

During the Memorial Moment, Matthew read the names of those members who have died in the past year. There was a time of silence.

25 and 50 year members were honored with certificates.

The Unitarian Universalist of the Year award was presented to Teresa Wilmot for her service to the church.

Matt Menze moved for adjournment. Ed Foster seconded, and the congregation voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Foster, Clerk