

## **Tapestry Annual Meeting, 6/11/06**

Welcome to the 2006 Tapestry Annual Meeting. While people are taking their seats, I'd like to thank Marsha Medina for organizing the potluck, and to Sofia Espejel, Beth Clemmons and Liz Bear for providing childcare. I'd also like to thank the Office Volunteers and Jim Semelroth for copying and distributing the Annual Meeting packet.

From the posted agenda for reference:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting
4. Report of the Standing and Ad Hoc Committees
5. Report of the Minister
6. Report of the President
7. Report of the Treasurer
8. Consideration and adoption of the new Budget
9. Old Business
10. New Business
  - a. Approval of proposed bylaw change providing for Tapestry name change
  - b. Approval of update to the Comprehensive Plan
11. Nominating Committee's Report
12. Election of Directors and Nominating Committee
13. Adjourn

### **Call to Order**

Good afternoon. I call the Annual Meeting to order at 12:35 pm. Please take your seats.

Our membership stands at 154 members, according to the bylaws we need 25 percent of the membership present to constitute a quorum to conduct business, which is 39 members. You are a member if you have signed the book and made a pledge. Please raise your hand if you are a member so we can take a count.

Will the secretary please record that 44 members were present. For the record for bylaws changes, 2/3s of that number is 29.

We conduct these meetings according to Robert's Rules of Order, or as close as we can come to it. Jim Semelroth has agreed to be our Parliamentarian if we get have questions about how to proceed. I'm going to take a moment to refresh everyone's memory about how this goes:

First, we need to stick to the agenda that was distributed. Any new issues or items introduced will need to be taken outside the meeting or deferred to the next congregational meeting because they were not published in the agenda that was distributed to the membership.

I will introduce an agenda item, with a very brief explanation. I will end with a request for a motion. Someone will make a motion. Then without any discussion, someone else must second the motion to put the topic into discussion. Then I'll say, any discussion? Remember, discussion is not mandatory. We can go right to a vote. If you do want to speak, please raise your hand. I will call on speakers by saying, the floor recognizes \_\_\_\_\_. Please wait for the mike so that everyone can hear you.

When you begin speaking, also please repeat your name so that the Secretary can record it. Discussion needs to focus specifically on the pros and cons of a particular motion. Only one motion can be on the floor at a time. If someone wants to amend a motion, discussion shifts to the merits of the amendment to the motion, which must be voted on before we go back to the original motion.

When there is no more discussion or there is consensus to stop discussion, I will call for a vote. Only members can vote. I'll say, all in favor, and you say aye, all opposed, and you say nay, any abstentions? If it is too close to tell, we'll do a hand count. For most of the business we conduct, only a simple majority is required. However, a bylaw change requires approval of 2/3 of the members present. We'll take a count for those votes.

### **Approval of Agenda**

I will consider a motion to approve the agenda that was posted on the Tapestry web page and published in the packet that was distributed.

**MOTION:** Mary Pax Lenney moved to accept the Annual Meeting agenda with the sequencing change switching the Minister's Report and the President's Report. Dave Kinnear seconded the motion.

Discussion

Aye All

Nay 0

Abstentions 0

### **Approval of the Minutes of the November 2005 Special Congregational Meeting**

The last official Tapestry meeting was held in November 2005 to discuss congregation name change. The draft minutes were in the official mailing and on the website. I will consider a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

**MOTION:** Betty Elliott moved that we accept the minutes of the November 2005 Special Congregational Meeting as written and distributed. Dana Freeman seconded the motion.

Discussion

Aye All

Nay 0

Abstentions 0

### **Report of the Standing and Ad Hoc Committees**

The report of the standing and ad hoc committees was prepared by each committee chair and distributed on the web and in the lobby. If you haven't had a chance to review the report, please do. It is an excellent summary of the congregation's many accomplishments this year.

**Report of the President** – the President's Award. See attached.

**Report of the Minister** – See attached.

**Report of the Treasurer -**

Will Penny Kinnear please come forward to make the Treasurer's report?  
See attached.

Next on the agenda is the:

### **Consideration and adoption of the new Budget**

One of the important considerations in the new budget was adding the position of Office Administrator. To help provide funds for the position, we applied for a Chalice Lighters grant. As you may know, individuals in congregations in our

Pacific Southwest District sign up to be a Chalice Lighter. You agree to send in \$20 three times a year to fund growth-related projects in our congregations. If a congregation has 15% of its members as Chalice Lighters, you may apply for a grant. I have the following message from the Chalice Lighters committee:

Congratulations on being chosen for the next Chalice Lighter's grant. PSWD's Chalice Lighters Committee's mission is to help fund the growth of District congregations. We solicit funds from individual Chalice Lighters to accomplish this mission. In order to attract contributors, we promise their money will go to those congregations that are ready, willing and able to grow. Your application made our work easy.

As Co-Chairs of your PSWD Chalice Lighters Committee, we hope you are aware of the importance of your accomplishments. Approval of your Grant Application was largely due to your recent growth, your support of UUA and Pacific South West District's work through dues and Fair Share contributions, and to your high percentage of active Chalice lighters. We will promote these accomplishments in our efforts to encourage every congregation to match them. Thank you and congratulations!

Many thanks to Lois Huddleston for being vigilant over the years in signing up Chalice Lighters in our congregation and to Sal Nawaz for writing the application and monitoring it through the process.

Moving back to the budget, I'd like to thank Penny for her many hours of work on the proposed budget in the absence of a VP of Finance. Thanks to your generous gifts during the Stewardship Campaign, her job to provide a balanced budget got easier and easier. While we weren't able to fund everything on our aggressive wish list, we came very close.

Penny will give a brief summary of the highlights of the budget before the motion for approval.

**MOTION:** Carole Shannon moved that we approve the 2006-2007 budget as submitted. Lois Huddleston seconded the motion.

Discussion

Aye All

Nay 0

Abstentions 0

### **Old Business – none submitted**

New Business

- **Approval of proposed bylaw change providing for Tapestry name change**

As a result of our special congregational meeting in November where our name change to Tapestry was approved, we now need to officially change our bylaws to reflect the new name. To accomplish this, we need to amend Articles I and II to substitute “Tapestry, A Unitarian Universalist Congregation” for UUCSC. The text of the bylaws change was in the congregational mailing and on the web. We need a motion to do so:

**MOTION:** Dave Kinnear moved that we amend the bylaws Articles I and II to reflect the name change approved by the congregation in November 2005 from Unitarian Universalist Church of South County to Tapestry, A Unitarian Universalist Congregation. Dick Huddleston seconded the motion.

Discussion

Since this motion is a bylaws change, it requires a 2/3 vote to pass.

Aye 43

Nay 0

Abstentions 1

- **Approval of update to the Comprehensive Plan**

The next item of new business is the approval of the updated Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan has been available for review on the web site. One set of changes closes out the first year with accomplishments and adds a year to the end so that it is a rolling 5-year plan. As promised at the November meeting when you approved the plan, and based on much encouragement from Larry Wheeler, our UUA financial consultant, the plan now includes pro forma financials, which are assumptions and predictions about how much each item will cost so we can see if our plan is realistic. One of chair John Alcorn's requests to the Board was that the Comprehensive Plan be a living document. It is and will continue to be a repository for our collective dreams and visions for this congregation. Is there a motion to approve the plan?

**MOTION:** Bob Meyer moved that we accept the updated Comprehensive Five-Year Plan as written and submitted. Dave Kinnear seconded the motion.

Discussion

Aye All

Nay 0

Abstention 0

Discussion

## **Report of the Nominating Committee**

The Nominating Committee members are Dick Huddleston, Sherry Thorpe, Dave Salahi, and Marcia Meyer.

Will Marcia Meyer please come forward to present the Nominating Committee's Report?

The 2006-2007 directors are Lynn Cowan, Tara Sayre, Mary Pax Lenney, Penny Kinnear, Laura Jackson, Connie Purcell, Sal Nawaz, and Jeremy Patterson.

The 2006-2007 Nominating Committee is Dave Salahi, Dave Kinnear, Betty Elliott and one open slot.

**MOTION:** Linda Yeargin moved to approve the slate of directors and new members of the Nominating Committee as submitted. Jeff Gothard seconded the motion.

Aye All

Nay 0

Abstention 0

## **Adjournment**

Do I have a motion to adjourn?

**MOTION:** Mark Fox moved that we adjourn the meeting. Penny Kinnear seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.