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Bellingham Unitarian Fellowship Congregational Meeting
CONDITIONALLY APPROVED MINUTES
(need final approval at next congregational meeting)
May 21, 2017

in the Sanctuary

Board Officers Present: Vice-President Kaitlin Davis, Secretary Kara Black
Minutes by Kaitlin Davis, revised by Kara Black
Meeting Chaired by Kara Black

Call to order at 12:14

Chalice lighting led by Rev. Paul

I. 107 ballots handed out, quorum confirmed

II. Acceptance of past minutes:

December 11th, 2016

Molly Monahan moved to approve, Marian Biddel seconds, minutes approved
May 15th, 2016

Beth Nyblade moved, a congregant seconds, minutes approved
May 17th, 2015

Michael B moves, Lizz R seconds, minutes approved

III. Election of new Board Members for '17-'18 church year:

Gratitude for Ro, Anastacia, and Andrew, outgoing members

Erin O'Moore presented nominations: Shasta Pettijohn (1 year term), Skye Hedman (3 year term), Rory McLeod (3 year term), Angie Lindquist (3 year term)

Motion to approve this slate of Board members: Mike Brunt moves, Michael Berres seconds. Motion approved

IV. Election of Nominating Committee for '17-'18:

Erin O'Moore presents the nominees for Nominating Committee: Carl Nyblade (current), Erin O'Moore (current), Jan Krouskop, Barbara Gilday, Lizz Robert (current)

Michael Berres moves to approve this slate of nominees, Lizz Roberts seconds. Motion approved.

V. Presentation and vote on '17-'18 operating budget

Treasurer Ann Newman presented the current year's income and expenses.

Acknowledgment of Rick Steele for his assistance with refinance

Ann presents the proposed budget for the '17-'18 church year as provided in advance to the congregants in writing.

A congregant moves to accept the proposed budget for the '17-'18 church year, Lee Seaman seconds. Discussion. Motion approved by secret ballot.

VI. Black Lives matter Resolution

.Chair entertains following motion to amend the rules of discussion:

“First, have those who wish to speak stand in three lines. The window aisle for those speaking in favor of the motion, the opposite aisle for those speaking against the motion, and the center aisle for those with questions or with balanced comments that don't take a side on the motion. Those who have factual answers to questions asked may raise their hands from the pews.

Second, that speaking priority be given first to the presenter of the motion, then to those in the center aisle and those with factual answers to questions, then to speakers for and against the motion, alternating back and forth.

Third, each speaker will be limited to one minute, and may have two turns speaking against or in favor of the motion.”

Heidi O'Hana moves to approve this process, Barbara Gilday seconds, motion approved.

Lauralee Carbone moves to adopt the Black Lives Matter Resolution (as read aloud and provided to congregants in advance in writing). Erika Moore seconds. Discussion. Motion approved by secret ballot.

Closing Reading

Adjourned 1:28

Minutes conditionally approved by e-mail on by Board members: