

Annual Church Meeting 1/27/19

1. Call to Order & Verification of Quorum: Michael McDonald, Moderator
 - a. Quorum Verified: 183. 22% of congregation
 - b. Meeting Called to Order at: 2:02pm
2. Review of Rules of Order – Michael McDonald, Moderator
3. Chalice Lighting: Gwen Sawyer, President of the Board
4. Volunteer Recognition: Gwen Sawyer, President of the Board
5. Leadership Succession Committee Report: Bill Slakey, Chair
 - a. Introduction of the 2019 Nominees for Leadership
 - b. President of the Congregation
 - c. Treasurer
 - d. Board of Directors
 - e. Financial Review Committee
 - f. Endowment Committee
 - g. Leadership Succession Committee
 - h. Moderator
6. Vote on 2019 Leadership – Michael McDonald, Moderator

Motion to approve the slate of members of the Board of Directors:

 - a. Nominations from the Floor: None
 - b. Motion Made by: Bill Slakey
 - i. Meghan Shattuck – President
 - ii. Faye Rafferty -- Treasurer
 - iii. Heather Clark
 - iv. Gina Kennedy
 - v. Marilyn O’Boyle
 - vi. Raven Reed Starr
 - vii. Mikaela Renz-Whitmore
 - viii. Dumas Slade
 - c. Vote by Voice: Approved by Acclamation.

Motion to approve the slate of members of the Endowment Committee and Financial Review Committee:

 - a. Nominations from the Floor: None
 - b. Motion Made by: Bill Slakey
 - a. Endowment Committee
 - i. Pat Diem
 - ii. Andy Apple
 - b. Financial Review Committee
 - i. Bethe Orrell
 - ii. Jan Lee

- c. Vote by Voice: Approved by Acclamation.
- Motion to approve the slate of members of the Leadership Succession Committee
 - a. Nominations from the Floor: None
 - b. Motion Made by: Bill Slakey
 - a. Vance Bass
 - b. Chris Mayo
 - c. Lucy Silva
 - d. Bill Slakey
 - e. John Edwards
 - c. Vote by Voice: Approved by Acclamation.
- Motion to approve the re-election of the Moderator:
 - a. Nominations from the Floor: None
 - b. Motion Made by: Bill Slakey
 - a. Michael McDonald
 - c. Vote by Voice: Approved by Acclamation.
- 7. Collection of “Change for the Future” Ballots
- 8. Treasurer’s Report - Linda Skye, Treasurer
- 9. Endowment Committee Report - Pat Diem, Chair
- 10. Financial Review Committee Report - Bruce Newton, Chair
- 11. Proposal to Name the Reverend Christine Robinson as Minister Emerita - Gwen Sawyer, President of the Board
- 12. Vote on Minister Emerita Proposal - Michael McDonald, Moderator

Motion: To confer the honor of Minister Emerita to the Rev. Christine Robinson.

 - a. Motion Made by: Gwen Sawyer
 - b. Vote by Voice: Approved by Acclamation.
- 13. Presentation of 2019 Operating Budget - Linda Skye, Treasurer and Paul Browne, Director of Finance and Operations
- 14. Vote to accept the 2019 Operating Budget - Michael McDonald, Moderator

Motion: Approve the proposed 2019 Operations Budget as presented.

 - a. Motion Made by: Linda Skye
 - i. Concerns raised about Albuquerque Interfaith not supporting LGBTQ rights or Women’s Reproductive Rights: Motion to amend budget to remove \$1k for that organization. Made by Tara McCaughin
 - ii. Second by Elizabeth Berrey
 - iii. Discussion: Recommendation for investigation before voting, explanation that we are a member because we are engaged with 12 other churches and two charter schools on specific issues; the fact that this particular organization does not stand with us on all issues is not a reason to discontinue membership and contribution. Question as to which organization is being addressed; answer is that this is referring to

Albuquerque Interfaith. Membership allows us to influence and guide the organization. We are also supporting members of several other organizations, including reproductive justice and LGBT rights supporting organizations. We can bear witness to these concerns within that organization. Albuquerque Interfaith does not work against these concerns, and as a democratic organization, we can encourage those issues to be addressed; and as a relational organization, we are building relationships.

1. Motion to call the question: Question called by voice vote.

iv. Vote by Voice: Motion to amend the budget failed on voice vote.

b. Vote by Voice: Motion to approve the budget passed on voice vote.

15. Presentation on Social Hall Renovation

16. Votes on Social Hall Renovation - Michael McDonald, Moderator

To accept the Spending Plan

Motion: that the Board and Building Task Force be authorized to spend not more than the total pledged amount to proceed with the design and construction phases for the social hall renovation and the south parking lot paving.

a. Motion Made by: Pat Diem

b. Discussion: Paving of the South Parking Lot optional; but is in the proposal and the cost is higher than pledged amounts. South Parking lot was in the initial plan; and will remain in the concept plan pending final budget amount, counting additional pledges that may be made over the next couple of years; parking lot is not the priority, but if funding is available, it will be added to the scope. When this sanctuary was completed, there were items that did not work; please complete a punch list before we pay for everything. If additional funding is not obtained to complete the parking lot paving, will there be another funding drive? If additional funds are not obtained, we will have to find other funding sources. It is good that the parking lot is in the plan to generate information even if we can't get the funding now. Is getting additional funding for the remainder of the project a standard procedure? Punch list was completed on this building, and will be done again on the remodel.

d. Vote by Voice: Approved by Acclamation.

To Authorize Incurring Short Term Debt

Motion: that the congregation authorize negotiating a short term construction loan not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 to proceed with the social hall renovation to be paid off by congregational pledges over three years.

a. Motion Made by: Pat Diem

b. Vote by Voice: Approved by Acclamation.

17. Annual Report - Gwen Sawyer, President of the Board

18. State of the Church Report – Rev. Angela Herrera, Senior Minister

19. Results of “Change for the Future” Vote - Michael McDonald, Moderator

- a. Transgender Resource Center
- b. Family Promise of Albuquerque
- c. Crossroads for Women
- d. New Mexico Interfaith Power and Light

20. Adjourn: Michael McDonald, Moderator

Meeting Adjourned at: 4:08pm