

ST. JOHN 'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

JANUARY 28, 2018

Upon notice given two weeks prior, the annual congregational meeting was held on this date at St. Johns United Church of Christ, 7131 S. East Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. Council President Dave Hearrell called the meeting to order at 11:37 AM.

Pastor Ross Tyler offered an opening prayer and followed with his vision statement for our congregation. He spoke of Denomination surveys and records and what unites us. He spoke of the TRUE vision statement of St. John's UCC. He also spoke of the changes made by the UCC and Conference to streamline processes and make improvements with the funds given. He urged the Congregation to celebrate changes, and take the time to read the annual meeting reports.

Minutes of the 2017 Meeting:

Copies of the annual report (complete copy attached to these minutes) that included the minutes of the 2017 meeting were distributed to all members requesting them. Adam Miner made a motion that the minutes of the 2017 annual meeting be approved as written. Ben Minnich seconded the motion. The motion passed.

President's Report:

- President Dave Hearrell thanked the Board of Christian Education members for their work this past year.
- Dave noted the Property Care Committee will have a busy year in 2018 and also in 2019.
- The church is being proactive. A Safe Church Policy was developed and adopted that will reduce the church's vulnerability in the future.

Election:

Dave Hearrell announced the candidates for the church Council. The nominating committee consisted of the outgoing members of the Council. The slated candidates, who will serve a three (3) year term are: Tom Mason, Becky Allen, Chelsea Hoffman and Art Miner. Nominations were opened from the floor with no one making additional nominations. It was moved by Kathy Guignard and seconded by Adam Miner that nominations be closed and accept all slated candidates. The motion passed by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report:

- Martha Minks touched on the high points of her report contained in the annual meeting packet:

- We had a high income of \$36,000 (not including group funds) from the Souvenir Booth at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.
- We were able to put back \$20,000 back into the Vanguard Fund.

It was moved by John Heckman and seconded by Margie Potter to accept the treasurer's report as presented. The motion passed by voice vote.

- 2018 Budget: Martha presented the 2018 Budget attached to the packet.
 - A proactive approach was taken with the budget. Pre-planned and needed items for replacement were inserted
 - The budget has an increase of \$14,613 from the 2017 budget
 - Several questions were asked and answered.

It was moved by Adam Miner and seconded by Jim Minks to approve the 2018 budget as presented. The motion was passed by voice vote.

Old/New Business: None

There appearing to be no further business, it was moved by John Heckman and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Pastor Ross gave a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Schneider

Council Recording Secretary