

WESTSIDE UNITY CHURCH 2016 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTE

JANUARY 17TH, 2016

Call to order:

Meeting was called to order by President Reverend Bonnie Collins on January 17, 2016 at 11:24am.

Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was provided by Reverend James Daly.

Inclusion of Non-members in Discussion:

The motion was made and seconded to include non-members in the discussion, although they do not vote. Motion was passed.

The Secretary's Report

Teresa Yuan read the minutes from the January 18, 2015 Annual Membership Meeting. The motion was made and seconded to approve the Secretary's Minutes as submitted. Motion was passed.

The Treasurer's Report

Reverend James Daly stepped-in for Dawnmarie Fitzgerald and presented the Treasurer's Report. Reverend Daly let the congregation know that hard copies of the treasurer's report were available for those who wanted them.

Reverend Daly thanks everyone for stepping-up the tithing to the Church. The contribution were up \$10,000 compares to last year. It went from \$78,000 to \$88,000

The Total Income for 2015 was \$115,709 compares to \$96,875 from last year.

The Total Expenses for 2015 was \$116,911 compares to \$102,532 from last year.

The increase in expenses were the result of the following:

1. The investment lost of \$4,400 showed on paper
2. The \$2,000 in repair for the air conditioning, and lectrical problems

We also have an increase in income. There were more contribution and the Wednesday classes brought in \$4,300.

We have \$104,000 in reserve overall it stay the same.

Some discuss was brought up regarding the tithing to Unity, and the regular announcement about the Church's financial status and donation that were marked for a specific project.

Motion for the Treasurer's Report to be accepted as presented. Motion was passed.

The Present Report

Reverend Bonnie Collins presented the Board of Trustee's Annual Report:

- Sage Smudging Ceremony to renewal the energy of the church.
- Fourth of July, in the spirit of Tee Bradley, we have a BBQ.
- The Volunteer Dinner was catered. Juan facilitated this event
- We moved the bookworm to the front and use the space to create the Wee Wisdom for the children Sunday school.
- We used banners in front of the church to let people know the Church events.
- The piano moved to the Friendship Hall
- The sound room had a fresh coat of paint and equipment were upgraded
- We added Food4Less and Amazon to the program that Olesia started last year with Ralph's. The Church will get a percentage back form our spending at these stores.
- Improvement to our website
- The branding process is in progress more in this year
- The Church supported Reverend Daly's hip replacement surgery and it was very successful
- Reverend Bonnie Collins credited the success of the Church to the involvement of the congregation

The board gave Olesia a gift card to thank her for her work for the Church.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the President's Report. Motion was passed.

Words from Reverend James Daly:

- We had 10 new congregants.
- Remembering Tee Bradley and the Bradley's contribution to the Church. Also members of the family of the congregation.

- Update on Maxine Wood and Albert condition.
- The process Reverend James Daly's effort to become an Unity's minister.
- The Branding Process

Election of two Board Members.

Jane presented the two positions for the Board of Trustees. There were no nominations from the floor. The nominations were closed. The motion was made and seconded to acclaim the slate of the two Board candidates to fill the four positions that were open. The motion was passed unanimously.

- Jocelyn Eishenlohr
- Dan Balter

Prior to the election of the Nominating Committee, Jane Leonard read By-laws Section 304 pertaining to this process. The motion was made and seconded to nominate Allison Balter as the primary. Jane will be the alternate. The motion was passed.

Church's Name Change

The branding program requires the name of the church to start with Unity of _____, votes were casted after some discussion about the different aspects of this change. The name "Unity of the Westside" had the most votes.

The motion to change the name to Unity of the Westside was made and seconded. The motion passed.

Closing Prayer

Closing Prayer was provided by Reverend James Daly.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:22pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Teresa Yuan, Board Secretary, 2015
