

**Unitarian Universalist Church of Jackson
Summer 2022 Congregational Meeting
Sunday, June 05, 2022**

Meeting Agenda

1. Opening Reading and Chalice Lighting Call to Order and Establishing Quorum
2. FLAME Award
3. Shenefelt Award
4. Board Officer and Committee Member Elections
5. Reading of Winter Congregational Meeting Minutes
6. Minister's Report
7. Board of Trustees Report
8. Financial Report
9. Common Read
10. Ministry Teams, Advisory Councils, and Task Forces Reports
11. Extinguish the Chalice

Congregation Members in Attendance

Diana Albertson	Stacy Callender	Bill Chandler
Lisa Dunn	Kristin Golden	Patricia Ice
Bob Keller	Lisa Kersen	Tom Kersen
Natalie Maynor	Evelyn Moore	Patrick Moore
David Morgan	Jill Morgan	Sue Moss
Bob Saulters	Snowdancer	Adrienne Tin
Eric Wood		

Non-voting Members and Friends in Attendance

Rev. Justin McCreary	Anabel Morgan	Yolanda Walker
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Call to Order and Establishing Quorum

The chalice was lit and the meeting called to order at 12:18 PM. Due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, the meeting was held as a hybrid service virtually over the Zoom video conferencing platform and live. Nineteen people were in attendance including seventeen voting members. This met the necessary quorum of 30% or more of active members in good standing required to vote on church business as prescribed by the UUJXN bylaws.

FLAME Award

Rev. Justin McCreary, on behalf of the UUJXN Ministry Council, awarded Laurie Bertram Roberts the 2022 Fran Leber Award in absentia for her work on reproductive and racial justice along with other issues.

Shenefelt Award

Stacy Callender, on behalf of the UUJXN Board of Trustees, awarded the 2022 Shenefelt Award to Eric Wood for all of his service to UUJXN over the years. She also presented Snowdancer with the 2021 Shenefelt Award.

Board Officer and Committee Member Elections

Jill Morgan, Patrick Moore, and Kristin Golden nominated themselves to serve on the CALM council. Justin nominated Tom, then Lisa Kersen for board secretary. They declined. Rev. Justin McCreary nominated Evelyn Moore for Trustee. She accepted. Snowdancer accepted appointment to Leadership Development Council. Rev. Justin McCreary nominated Lisa Kersen for President-elect. She declined.

After several minutes of not being able to field nominations for the offices of President-elect and Secretary, Stacy Callender closed the period for nominations. The existing slate was Evelyn Moore

for 2nd Trustee, Board of Trustees; Eric, Snowdancer, and Patricia Ice for the Leadership Development Council; and Kristen Golden, Jill Morgan and Patrick Moore for the CALM committee.

Jill Morgan moved to accept the nominations, Lisa Dunn seconded. Patricia asked about the LDC was elected. All approve and the motion carries.

The board positions of President-elect and Secretary remained vacant.

Minutes

The minutes of the Winter 2021 meeting were read by Secretary David Morgan. (See attachments below.) Jill Morgan motioned to approve the minutes as read. Kristen Golden seconded. All present approved.

Minister's Report

Rev. Justin McCreary announced he has been called to service by Hope UU in Tulsa OK, and read his report covering the years of his service at UUJXN. He then read a poem called "Thank you, a poem about a tree". (See attachments below.)

Board Report

Stacy Callender reported on the Board of Trustees' progress over the past 6 months towards achieving its 2022 priorities:

To resume in-person services and foster connection: Progress has been made and is continuing with opening church services and RE up again.

To widen the circle: Including BIPOC, LGBTQ, and people with disabilities – UUJXN needs to revisit its welcoming church status and handicap access

To improve and use our facilities and grounds to engage with the broader community: Many ideas and some progress, but a lot of work is left to be done.

Financial Report

Treasurer Lisa Dunn presented the 2022 financial report for January through April. There were questions as to whether using PayPal to tithe was the best method due to the service charges deducted from each donation, but the convenience of PayPal both for giving and receiving donations outweighed the concerns. It was suggested that congregation members add the estimated the service charges to their tithe amounts.

Common Read

Patricia Ice discussed the common read for the coming months, "Defund Fear" by Zach Morris. It is available at the UU bookstore online or other vendors. The next discussion may not happen until fall 2022.

Ministry Teams, Advisory Councils, and Task Forces Reports

Ministerial Search — Bob Keller announced the formation of the Minister Search Team. He asked any interested members to volunteer, and announced a congregational survey asking for input on the choice of a minister, church proceedings, etc. will be sent in the fall.

Extinguish the Chalice

The chalice was extinguished at 1:47 PM, ending the meeting. The next Congregational Town Hall is scheduled for September 19, 2022.