

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Community 5th Annual Meeting
June 6, 2004

Introduction and State of the Community address was given by outgoing Board President Dolores Mitchell. She announced she will not run for re-election to the Board of Trustees.

Treasurer's report and Budget Proposal for the Fiscal Year 7/1/04-6/31/05 was presented for approval by the membership.

The following budget was approved by unanimous vote of the members present:

Rent	\$3900.00
Advertising	
Olympian	2700.00
Qwest Dex	700.00
Fees	
UUA Dues 35 @ 50.00	1750.00
PNWD Dues 35 @ 20.00	700.00
Insurance - Church Mutual	987.00
Small Fellowship	500.00
District Meeting	300.00
General Assembly Fund	600.00
Leadership Training	250.00
Interfaith Works	1200.00
Lacey Fun Fair	100.00
Post Office Box	50.00
Postage	600.00
Copying	400.00
Social Justice	300.00
Worship	7200.00
Religious Education	400.00
Member Services	240.00
Supplies	400.00
Total Expenses	\$23,377.00
Income	
Pledges	\$22,425.00
Cash Donations	952.00
Account Balances as of June 1, 2004	
Checking	\$1591.14

Savings	129.96
Ministerial Search	93.43
Special Fund	910.00
Building fund	\$59,076.33

Committee Reports

Membership Services & Pastoral Care (combined) - Amber and Nicole shared their goals for this committee in the coming year. They stressed that they are seeking new ways to engage our members in participating in getting the basic meeting set-up and take-down chores done.

Worship Arts - Billie reports that she, Jim, Sue, and Alfredo have expressed interest in participating in planning and conducting services during the coming year. All who have interests in this area are welcome.

Religious Education - Gabe is currently heading up this committee. During the summer months, the programming for this will be informal, as attendance may vary. There was discussion about having adult RE sessions either in the morning before the service (9:30-10:30) versus having the adult RE sessions after the service (12:30-1:30). Opinion in the straw poll taken at the meeting seemed to be evenly split between those who prefer the earlier, and those who prefer the later times.

Social Justice - This committee is currently seeking new members. In the past year, our community has participated in a number of social justice programs. These included a voter registration table at the Lacey Fun Fair, the making and distributing of the Care Bundles (toiletries and personal hygiene supplies) for the Out-Of-The-Woods shelter, making and serving lunch for the construction crews on the worksites for the Habitat for Humanity home building project, and the Giving Tree for needy families during the yuletide season.

Finance, and Ways and Means - This committee is seeking new members. The goal and purpose of this committee is to think up and implement new ways to raise funds for the many projects and dreams our community has for the future. These include having a minister, and acquiring or building our own meeting space.

Ministerial Search - Alfredo gave a brief report about tabulating and distributing the results of the recent survey this committee conducted, based on 22 responses (18 of these were from members). Finding out what kind of minister will meet our needs is a very important first step in this process. He also reported that the committee is in a fact-finding stage, educating themselves about the formal procedures for acquiring a minister that are laid out in the PNWD Handbook. Alfredo and Billie are co-chairpersons for this group, which also includes Marilyn, and Jean. Our hearts go out to Sandra and Diane, who also worked on this committee, but whose health concerns are preventing them from participating as fully as they have in the past.

All Souls is looking to start out with a quarter-time consulting minister. This will obligate the community to pay a minimum of \$14,000.00 per year. Past discussion on this subject shows that we will need to be prepared to use monies from the “Building Fund” to supplement whatever increased revenue we generate to pay for this additional expense.

Communications - Jim D. and Selena are teamed up to revitalize and update the All Souls website, and Jean is the newsletter editor.

Bylaws changes

It was proposed that Article V, Section B be amended to remove the phrase “in June of” from that paragraph. This will enable us to schedule our annual meetings in months other than June. It is the view of the Board that holding the annual meeting in May would be better for the community, since many people are vacationing in June. This measure was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Board Elections

Board positions are filled on a staggered schedule, to assure continuity.. This year, three positions became available to be refilled. Those were the positions occupied by Arlene A, and Dolores M. Additionally, the position which was vacated unexpectedly, and filled *pro tempore* by Selena, was also up for election.

Selena, Arlene, Dolores, Janice, Barb S, Maggie, and Nicole were nominated. Dolores, Maggie, and Janice declined their nominations. Selena, Arlene, and Barb S were elected via secret paper ballot to refill the empty Board positions. The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 9 at 7:00 p.m. at Dolores’ house. It is our tradition to have the “outgoing” and “incoming” Board members attend the first meeting after the election.