

## Special Meeting to Amend the By-Laws December 19, 2010

Present: Rev. Emily Heath (Pastor), Chuck Gentilin (Moderator), Jill Gentilin (Secretary), Dave Bolton, Randy Johnson, Jeremy Schrauf, Herb Childs, Mindy Childs, Andy Childs, Sandy Barber, Eddie Barber, Barbara Willenbrock, Janet Kierys, Harriette Hamilton, Bill Hamilton, Richard Severance, Louise Severance, Virginia Carruthers, Elinor Havness, Mikie Schwarz, Bob Rubin, Kelly Murphy, Joan Judd, John Thurber, Marge Thurber, Chris McLean, Andy McLean, Laurel Cashman, Sally Mundell, Merrill Mundell, Andrea Seaton, Phil Bowen, Tamara Allen, Marty Roth, John White, Phil Bowen, Dario Lussardi

Emily opened the meeting with prayer. Chuck declared the meeting open and it was established that we had a quorum.

The change to the by-laws allowing “faithful attendees” to become officers without joining the church was moved by Randy and seconded by Jeremy. Merrill moved a friendly amendment to add that anyone serving on a board had to become a member within one year. John seconded it.

Jill said that she did not think anyone should be told when he or she had to become a member, and that that was a decision that came from the heart. Merrill was concerned that people who served on boards who weren't members could cause mischief. Several members refuted this to say that mischief could be caused by any group who decided to become members and who had an agenda when they did this.

Tamara stated that she was one of those people who were working as was her husband and were unable to attend enough to become members. Andy questioned whether people serving on boards who weren't members could vote. Jill said that was one thing they hadn't thought of and to change voting would require another by law change but we could only vote on what was before the members today. Phil Bowen said he was against an organization that would be run by non-members.

Bill Hamilton asked for the reason to make this change. Jill said they were unable to recruit enough members to serve on boards from the members and there might be some people who would serve the church but didn't want to become members. There is also a new generation that no longer automatically joins a church but would be willing to work within the church.

There being no other discussion, Chuck called for a vote on the friendly amendment. It was defeated.

We then voted on the original amendment and it passed.

Respectfully submitted  
Jill Gentilin

These minutes have not been approved.