ALUUC Annual Meeting  
June 7, 2015  
Draft* Minutes

Quorum: 25% of Members required (about 56 people out of 227 members)  
70+ members present, Quorum is met!

Call to Order: Michael Plog, Board President  
Frank Kopecky, Parliamentarian

I. Minutes from 2014 Annual Meeting  
Jodi Perko motioned to approve the minutes and it was seconded. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

II. Reports to the Congregation
   a. President’s Report  
      Board President Michael Plog presented his oral report, which included an overview of the past year’s accomplishments and events.
   b. Minister’s Report  
      Reverend Martin Woulfe, returning from his sabbatical, presented his report, detailing events of the church year, including the work he and members did with the “Conversations on Race” with Calvary Baptist Church and the “Let Freedom Ring” March, LGBTQ Issues and Marriage Equality, the training of officiants, and the gains and losses of Members and Friends of the ALUUC.
   c. Written Committee Reports  
      These were not presented, but were made available on a table for members to pick up and read.

III. Announcement of the 2015-16 Appointments
   Committee on Ministry
   The newest members of the Committee on Ministry are Jack Kriel (2015-18) and Mark Hanson (2015-18). The other members include Delinda Chapman (Chair, 2013-16), Beverly Holmes (2013-16), John Malan (14-2017), and George Metcalf (2014-17). The Committee on Ministry is appointed by the Nominating Committee, and is not voted on by the Congregation.

IV. Elections
   Presented by Kitty Wrigley, Chair of the Nominating Committee
   a. Officers and Directors of the Congregation
      Candidates for Officers and Directors of the ALUUC Congregation Board are:

      | Officers             | Directors               |
      |----------------------|--------------------------|
      | Philip Anderson, 2015-16, President | Linda Quigley, 2015-17, Director |
      | Frank Kopecky, 2015-16, Vice President | Kim Villanueva, 2015-17, Director |
      | Tina Bennett, 2015-16, Treasurer | Ricky Stead, 2015-17, Director |
      | Marissa DeWeese, 2015-16, Secretary | Melissa Bernhardt, 2015-17, Director |
      | Kent Childs, 2015-17, Director |                        |

      There were no nominations from the floor, and a voice vote was taken and the candidates were approved. Debbie Leahy remains a current Director.

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b. Nominating Committee
Candidates for the Nominating Committee of the Congregations are:

Stewart Jacobson, 2015-17
Lori Leytem, 2015-17
Gwen Childs, 2015-17
Debby Hagan, 2015-17 (Chair)

There were no nominations from the floor. A voice vote was taken and the candidates were approved.

c. Endowment Trust
The Candidate for an Endowment Trustee for the Endowment Trust of the ALUUC is:

Posy Robertson (2015-21)

There were no nominations from the floor. A voice vote was taken and the candidate was approved. Wes Duiker (2010-16), Victoria Vincent (2012-18), and Roger Powers (2014-2020) remain current Trustees of the Endowment Trust

V. Presentation of the 2015-16 Budget (see document)
Kurt DeWeese, Finance Committee Chair, presented the 2015-16 Budget and Budget Narrative. Berkley Moore, Minister Emeritus, motioned to approve the Budget and it was seconded. A voice vote was taken and the Budget was approved.

VI. Change to Mission Statement
This adds the words to the ALUUC Mission Statement so that it will say:
“...We shall foster non-violent action in the interest of justice, honesty, and understanding in our community and world.”
Dan Schull motioned to approve this change, and after seeing that there was no discussion, it was seconded. A voice vote was taken and the change was approved.

VII. Changes to By-Laws (see documents for more detail about each motion)
a. Motion #1 – Presented by Dianne Roberts, this motion makes minor wording changes of grammar and is a “clean up” of the by-laws. Dianne motioned to approve Motion #1, and it was seconded. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken and Motion #1 was approved.

b. Motion #2 – Presented by Dianne Roberts, this motion incorporates a footnote into the main body of the by-laws concerning closed meetings, again more of a “clean up” of the by-laws. Dianne motioned to approve Motion #2, and it was seconded. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken and Motion #2 was approved.

c. Motion #3 – Presented by Dianne Roberts, this motion changes the requirements for meeting Quorum from one quarter to one fifth of the number of members residing in Sangamon and the surrounding counties. Dianne motioned to approve Motion #3, and it was seconded. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken and Motion #3 was approved.

d. Motion #4 – Presented by Dianne Roberts, this motion adds a Pathway to Membership for both new and returning members. Dianne motioned to approve Motion #4, and it was seconded. Susan Solon, ALUUC Membership Coordinator, spoke about how her experiences with new members and research which has led her to agree that this will benefit the Congregation. It is understood that this Pathway will be decided by the Board, acting with the advice from the membership committee and the minister,
and will vary depending on the members’ individual needs. Much discussion ensued among the membership. Kathy Schultz moved to call the question, which proposed that we end the discussion and vote on the motion. A voice vote was taken about whether or not we should end discussion and it was approved. Following this vote, a voice vote was taken on Motion #4, and the ayes had it, with some members dissenting, and the motion was approved. A hand vote was requested, and the ayes had it again, confirming the previous vote. The motion passed.

e. **Motion #5** – Presented by Dianne Roberts, this motion adds an *expectation clause* to continue membership. Dianne motioned to approve Motion #5, and it was seconded. There was some discussion. A voice vote was taken and Motion #5 was approved.

VIII. **Authorization for Courtyard and Entryway Rehabilitation**  (see document)
The Courtyard and Entryway need some work done to prevent further damage from bad weather, and Kurt DeWeese sought bids from construction companies, and the chosen bid exceeds $5,000, so a vote from the Congregation is required. The chosen bid is from **Williams** for $6,000. Kurt DeWeese motioned that the congregation approve this expense and it was seconded. A voice vote was taken, and the ayes had it, with some members dissenting. The motion approving this expense was approved.

IX. **New Business**
The Board members thanked outgoing Board President Michael Plog for his service and gave him a gift. Michael then gave his thanks to the Congregation.

X. **Adjourn**
Penny Wollan-Kriel motioned that the meeting be adjourned; it was seconded and approved.

Respectively submitted,
Acting Secretary, Marissa DeWeese

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