

**Greendale People's Church**  
**Annual Congregational Meeting**  
January 30, 2022

**I. *Welcome and Opening Prayer***

- The Annual Congregational Meeting commenced at 10:36 a.m.
- The Governing Board Chair, Dennis Christo, greeted all who were gathered.
- Rev. Dr. Douglas Cederberg offered a prayer of intentional, spiritual deliberations of the business of GPC and its servants in service to do God's will in life and the ministry of the church.

**II. *Declaration of Quorum***

- Clerk Kim Paré, confirmed a quorum (30 required) with 41 in attendance.

**III. *Approval of Minutes from January 31, 2021, Congregational Meeting***

- David Raphael made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Richard Grayson seconded.
- **VOTE:** Unanimous approval to accept the minutes from the January 31, 2021, Congregational Meeting as presented. No discussion. No abstentions.

**IV. *Items on the Ballot***

- The Governing Board Chair, Dennis Christo, reviewed the history which led GPC to Pastor Doug with the resignation of Rev. Downer and the convening of a new Search Committee chaired by Nancy White. The Search Committee presented Rev. Doug to the Governing Board in December 2020, for a two-year term. David Raphael motioned the GB Chair to recognize Rev. Dr. Douglas Cederberg as GPC's Pastor. Marion McLauren seconded. There was a brief discussion about the totality of the recorded ballot vote and the removal of "settled" from the pastor's title. There were two mail-in nays. Rev. Dr. Douglas Cederberg accepted and is honored and blessed to serve GPC.

**V. *Approval of the Annual Church Operating Budget for 2022***

- David Raphael made a motion to accept the 2022 budget as presented. Robert Converse seconded. Joyce Smith asked about the \$700. increase noted in the Selah budget versus the Serving Others budget. There was a brief discussion about the viability of holding onto the property. GB Chair noted that the Facility Usage Team, the Property Management Team, and the Selah Team are continuing to assess the health and viability of the property, including the ongoing maintenance and the Y's continuous use during the summer. Nancy White added that it's harder to maintain the property but there are opportunities to serve the community. The GB has vetted inquiries about the property including the nearest neighbor's annual proposal. There's also been a fair market value proposal by another person/company of interest. This will be an ongoing GB agenda item.

- **VOTE:** Unanimous approval to accept the 2022 budget as presented. No objections. No abstentions.

#### **VI. *The Way Forward – Mission Implementation (operating concept)***

- GB Chair, Dennis Christo, summarized Team TLC's 2½ year project defining GPC's mission/vision/values. The GB's Mission Implementation Team, led by Rev. Cederberg, has whittled the fund of ideas of what GPC could/should do to 5 items:
  - Continue as a house of worship, preaching God's word/scripture,
  - Continue religious education,
  - Use the facilities, open to outside users, as identified by the FUT,
  - Improve communication with the community through social media, and
  - Utilize the resources to continue into the future.
- Robert Converse made a motion to accept The Way Forward as presented. David Raphael seconded.
- **VOTE:** Unanimous approval to accept The Way Forward as presented. No discussion. No abstentions.

#### **VII. *Election of Governing Board Members***

- David Raphael is stepping off GB. The Chair thanked David for his term and his assistance as a Facilities person and on all hybrid meetings he's served.
- Two returning Governing Board members renewed for a new two-year term: Dennis Christo and Kim Paré.
- Dennis O'Malley begins a two-year term.
- One-year Governing Board seats are: Charles Whittall, Nancy White, and Robert Converse.
- Richard Grayson made a motion to accept the Governing Board nominations. Wilson McLauren seconded.
- **VOTE:** Unanimous approval to accept the Governing Board as presented. No objections. No abstentions.

#### **VIII. *Closing Prayer by Pastor Cederberg***

#### **IX. *Adjournment***

- David Raphael made a motion to adjourn the Annual Congregational Meeting. Ken White seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.