Congregational Meeting minutes - Aug. 7, 2016

On the establishment of a quorum, the meeting was called to order by President Linda Clear at 12:00 noon. The ballot to be voted upon read, "I approve the installation of a banner or sign on UUSS property to be visible from Sierra Boulevard, indicating that Black Lives Matter to UUSS". Approximately 15 people spoke during the time for comments.

President Clear stated that if approved, a task force would be convened by the Board to come up with wording for the banner, raise funds for its purchase, and mount and maintain it. The task force would be comprised of one member each from the Board, the Aesthetics Committee, and the Property Management Team, and one or two people from the existing BLM task force.

After some discussion from the floor, Karen Edgren moved that we table the discussion until the October Congregational meeting, seconded by June Sugar. Anna Andrews called for a vote on the motion. The vote by raised hands overwhelmingly approved an immediate vote on the banner.

Voting was completed by ballot. The results were in favor of putting up a banner: yes - 95, no - 22, abstain - 3.

The meeting concluded at approximately 1:20.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Lopes, Board Secretary