

Allegheny Unitarian Universalist Church
Proposed Bylaw Amendments
28 June 2020

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Article III
PURPOSE

The purpose of the Church shall be as stated in its Articles of Incorporation, with whatever powers are, or may be granted, by the 1988 Nonprofit Corporation Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or subsequent legislation.

RATIONALE: This substitute amendment aligns the PURPOSE stated in these Bylaws, with the Purpose stated in the Church's Articles of Incorporation, by reference.

Article VI
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2. The Board of Trustees shall consist of Trustees numbering between five (5) and nine (9), and such ex officio members as are provided for in these Bylaws.

(2)B. The beginning of terms of office for the Trustees shall alternate, with terms for at least half of the Trustees beginning in one year, and terms for the continuing Trustees beginning in the following year.

3. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of a majority of voting members of the Board.

9. The Board shall appoint a Nominating Committee of two (2) or more Members of the congregation, at least one of whom is a current or former Trustee.

RATIONALE: It is recommended that the size of the governing board be appropriate to the size and needs of the congregation. Building flexibility into the Bylaws by establishing a range for the number of Trustees, allows the Board size to change as the congregation changes.

EXISTING PROVISIONS

Article III
PURPOSE

The Church shall be a welcoming, urban congregation that puts Unitarian Universalism into action by celebrating life, nourishing the spirit and inspiring a commitment to justice.

Article VI
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2. The Board of Trustees shall consist of seven (7) Trustees and such ex officio members as are provided for in these Bylaws.

(2)B. The beginning of terms of office for the Trustees shall alternate, with terms for three (3) Trustees beginning in one year and terms for four (4) Trustees beginning in the following year.

3. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of five voting members of the Board.

9. The Board shall appoint a Nominating committee consisting of one continuing Trustee as chairperson and two Church members who are not members of the Board, to present to the annual congregational meeting a slate of candidates for election to the Board of Trustees. Board officers shall not serve on the Nominating committee.