

December 10, 2020

Dear Church Member,

This letter constitutes a written call for a Special Meeting of the Congregation of the Unitarian-Universalist Church of Urbana-Champaign under Article V of the church Constitution and Article II of the By-Laws. This meeting has a shorter agenda and will require far less time than our Annual Meeting in June. Please make a plan to attend this meeting as we require enough voting members to obtain a quorum.

The Special Meeting is scheduled to begin at 1:00 pm on Sunday, December 20, 2020. In the instance that there are technical difficulties on this date that prevent the meeting from successfully concluding, a backup meeting is scheduled to begin at 1:00 pm on Sunday, January 3, 2021. If all business can be completed successfully on December 20<sup>th</sup> the January 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting will not be held.

In accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws, this meeting will take place virtually via Zoom and votes made at this meeting will be binding. Additional details about how the meeting will be conducted are available from the website at: <https://uucuc.org/uucucs-special-congregational-meeting-on-december-20-2020/>. This meeting will be recorded.

The agenda will be:

- I. Call to order and verification of a quorum
- II. Remarks by the Board of Trustees Chair
- III. Remarks by the Minister
- IV. Congregation's Affirmation of the Dream Team-generated Strategic Plan
- V. England Endowment - additional gift acceptance
- VI. Confirm need or cancellation of backup meeting date
- VII. Seasonal carol
- VIII. Adjourn

Sincerely,

Jenna Zeidler  
Clerk, Unitarian-Universalist Church of Urbana-Champaign

## Motions for Voting

### Motion 1

We move that the congregation affirm the 2021-2026 Strategic Plan to guide annual goals and action plan formation by ministers, Board of Trustees, staff, and church leadership over the next five years.

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### Motion 2

The Finance Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees recommend the following motion to the congregation for adoption in the fall of 2020.

Congregational Motion: The Congregation authorizes the acceptance of a gift of \$50,000 from Terry and Barbara England to be added to the England Endowment under the same terms as the original endowment. Further, the Congregation authorizes acceptance of any future gifts to the England Endowment under the same terms.

Background: In May 2019 the Congregation gratefully authorized the acceptance of a \$50,000 gift to be administered by the UUCUC Trust Fund Trustees as follows:

1. The goal of the endowment is to provide earnings while preserving the corpus of the endowment.
2. It is their intent that earnings from the endowment will be distributed annually. 75% will be used at the discretion of the Board of Trustees; 25% will be used for musical activities, as determined by the Board of Trustees and/or a designated group, e.g. the Music Committee. The endowment's support of musical activities will be recognized.
3. The endowment's value and distributed income will be reported annually. Funds from this endowment may be merged with another UUCUC endowment for investment purposes, and, the endowment's value, and distributed income estimated. Earnings will be calculated using the general trust fund method of calculating earnings per the bylaws or other procedures established by the Trustees of the Board or Trust Fund.