

Board of Trustees Meeting Notes 4-16-25

Flower Communion Sunday is a good opportunity to inform the congregation about upcoming changes.

Leadership Development Committee needs to present candidates for election:

President Elect

Parliamentarian – Beth Marshall

Treasurer – Jeremy

T Dale took over the Foundational Ministry Trustee position and will continue

Scott Witt will continue until this time next year

Bylaws discussion

Mary sent the draft bylaws out to the Board. (I did not receive it)

We're changing a little about the foundational group and service group, there are questions about how the trustees will work.

The Sociocracy approach was taken out of the bylaws after the Town Hall meeting. Some people did not feel we're ready for it.

Some on the Board feel we are ready - "Good enough for now and safe enough to try."

The changes to the bylaws will remove any barriers to the church implementing some aspects of the Sociocracy approach to governance, so we can try and implement this year and formalize it in the Bylaws next year.

The Endowment committee wanted to make some changes in the bylaws (financial and legal issues). Was this included in the version that was discussed in the Town Hall meeting 6 weeks ago?

Mary C: We don't have to include these Bylaws changes in congregational meeting in May. I would like to discuss this with Sara DaSilva.

Others on the Board would like to proceed, even if it gets voted down, or portions of it.

Aaron: Can we separate the changes/amendments to the by-laws and have multiple votes in a single meeting?

Separate amendments for Various language changes, Sociocracy terminology, Service Auction? Endowment language?

For the purposes of opening new bank accounts at Amegy for the Capital Reserve and Share the Paddle Funds:

The 2025/26 Board Presidents are: Courtney Thibodeaux, Aaron Valor, and Jaunetta Cooper

The 2025/26 Treasurer is: Jeremy Northum

Aaron Valor will serve as the Registered Agent with the State of Texas until the completion of his term on the Board of Trustees.

Courtney Thibodeaux, Aaron Valor, Jaunetta Cooper, and Jeremy Northum will be signers on the operating account ending in 3164.

Jeremy Northum, and Rev. Sarah Prickett will be signers on accounts ending in 5417 (Minister's Discretionary Fund).

Jeremy Northum, Pat Hanna, and Teresa Allen will be signers on account ending in 3963 (Millbend).

Courtney Thibodeaux, Aaron Valor, Jaunetta Cooper, and Jeremy Northum will be signers for new accounts opened in 2025/26.