

Annual Meeting Agenda for May 23, 2021

1. Call to Order
 2. Welcome and overview
 3. Election of the Moderator - Jami Jordan
 4. Mission, Ground Rules and Voting process
 5. Combined vote on
 - a. *Acceptance of the Annual Report and Minutes from May 31, 2020 (Virtual) Annual Meeting, Janet Britcher, Parish Board Chair
 - b. *Acceptance of New Members, Rev Lisa
 - c. *Acceptance of Officers and Committee Members, as required by Bylaw
 - d. *Acceptance of the Agenda
 6. Recognition of out-going Board members, Bob Williamson, Parish Board Vice-chair
 7. Review Parish Board's Recommended FY 2022 Budget, Janet Britcher, out-going Board co-chair
 8. Small group facilitated discussion of Budget with Parish Board members, using these Questions:
 - *What clarifying questions do you need answered?*
 - *What concerns do you have about the budget?*
 - *Think about FPB's mission and what works for you about the budget, and ask: Where are you on the consensus ladder about the budget?*
 - 5 = "unqualified yes"
 - 1 = "don't agree and feel the need to stand in the way of its acceptance"
 9. Clarifying questions addressed and concerns summarized
 10. Review of Consensus from Small Groups, Janet Britcher
 11. **Vote to approve the budget** as proposed by the Parish Board for FY 2022 and a withdraw from endowment principal to pay a portion of operating costs (requires 2/3 vote**), Moderator
 12. Any other business on the agenda, as accepted, Moderator
1. Closing Words and Extinguishing Chalice, Rev Lisa Perry-Wood
 2. Adjourn, Moderator

** To save time without sacrificing the opportunity to ask questions and discuss, we will have a single vote on the typically more routine business of Annual Meeting: accepting the agenda for the meeting, accepting new members, electing new officers and members of Standing Committees, and accepting the minutes from past congregational meetings*

***Budget approval requires a 2/3 vote because it involves withdrawing principal from the endowment, not just earnings*

Ground Rules for Congregational Meetings:

1. One speaker at a time
2. Listen with an open mind
3. Speak for yourself ("I")
4. Tell your own truths and let others tell theirs

The Mission of the First Parish in Brookline

Called by Love, Sustained by Community, Committed to Justice

We strive to be a welcoming, diverse and loving congregation that nurtures spiritual growth for individuals and families, celebrates multicultural community, and works together to demand social justice, dismantle racism, and care for our living Earth.

New Members

The following two people have signed the membership book (in person or virtually) since our last Annual Meeting:

Barbara Cone	Tai Melendy
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Officers and Standing Committee Members

The Nominating Committee nominates the following members:

For the Parish Board:

- Jody Leader
- John Mignano

For Officers:

- Moderator: Jami Jordan
- Alternate Moderator: Marilyn Tressel
- Treasurer: Margaret Williams
- Clerk: Karla Baehr

For Nominating Committee:

- Lori Day
- Carol Spitzer

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Baehr
Clerk of the Parish