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Seattle Atheists 2010 Business Meeting and Elections
September 19, 2010

Chairing meeting:
Paul Case, President

Board Members in attendance:
Amanda Banerji, VP
Jerry Schiffelbein, Treasurer
Becky Friedman, Secretary
Mike Gillis, Member at Large
Sam Mulvey, Member at Large
Randy Rumley, Member at Large

21 attendees from the general membership also attended.

Accomplishments and Congratulations

Jerry reported that we have 287 contacts with many being up-to-date members, and that we had recently received a \$1000 contribution. Paul then highlighted contributions from outgoing board members and thanked and congratulated them.

Member Concerns

A discussion took place addressing concerns by members regarding the termination of the lifetime membership of Wendy Britton. Paul directed the discussion with contributions and explanations from outgoing board members Becky, Sam, and Amanda, and past board members Jenny Lees, Shellie Brighton, and Kyle Hepworth.

Presentation and Vote on Constitutional Changes

Sam presented to the membership all proposed changes to the Seattle Atheists Constitution in two sections: structural changes streamlined and clarified language, normalized and unified terms, and corrected for punctuation and mechanics. Substantive changes changed certain procedures that impacted the functioning of the organization. Notable changes included eliminating the Bylaws as an article of the Constitution and creating a separate document for Bylaws; and eliminating Article V from the Constitution and recommending the adoption of new Bylaws governing removal of a member from office.

Motion: Sam moves that we vote on adopting changes in an omnibus vote. Jerry seconds.

Vote on Adoption of Constitutional Changes as Presented and Discussed:

23 yes

4 no

1 abstain

Motion passes

Elections: Candidates gave statements; statements were read by board members on behalf of absent candidates Allison Bond, Ranjan Banerji, and Brian Allen.

Presidential Candidates: Shellie Brighton and Scott Leopold.

Election result: Shellie Brighton.

Vice President Candidate: Rich Lyons

Election result: Rich Lyons

Treasurer Candidate: Liz Frost

Election result: Liz Frost

Secretary Candidate: Allison Bond

Election result: Allison Bond

Members at Large Candidates: Brian Allen, Deanna Lyons, Ranjan Banerji, Jami Blackann, Mary Keiser, Jerry Schiffelbein.

Election Results: Deanna Lyons, Ranjan Banerji, Jami Blackann, Mary Keiser, Jerry Schiffelbein.

Conclusion: Old Board congratulated the new Board. Shellie concluded the meeting.