

BUF Board of Trustees Special Meeting (virtual, via Zoom)

March 4, 2022

Attendees: Drew Betz (Vice-President), Alex Gilman, Henry Ohana, Sarah Pearson, Lew Phinney, John Stewart (Secretary), Melissa Swift

Not Present (Excused): Paul Beckel (ex officio), Daria Haynes

Minutes by John Stewart Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Drew.

COVID Task Force Report: Henry

- Henry reported on this morning's COVID task force meeting and led the discussion into further reopening of the church.

Henry moved and Sarah seconded that: If there is not a spike in Covid cases after the lifting of the state mandate on masks from March 12, beginning on Sunday, 27, 2022, masks will be optional at Bellingham Unitarian Fellowship.

Discussion:

- Until March 27, masks will continue to be required for events on BUF premises.
- After Sunday services a simple coffee hour will be offered downstairs with seating available outside for those who would prefer to not be indoors.
- There is no recommendation to change the percentage of occupancy at this time
- Masks will always be an option for those visiting BUF.
- The COVID Task Force will continue to monitor the situation and advise the Board as to further actions. If necessary, the Board can meet by Zoom, if necessary, to respond to changing conditions in either direction.
- The Communications Team will include this in a contribution to the Mid-Week Update on March 9, 2022.
- Alex will announce the change from the pulpit on March 6, 2022.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:16pm.