

Immanuel Church, minutes of the congregational meeting, 21 January 2024

Present:

Interpreters: Marco Helles

Place: Congressen, Immanuel Church

§1 Opening of the meeting

Chairman Greger Hjelm welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open. He then led the congregation in prayer before the meeting.

§2 Adoption of the agenda

The proposed agenda was established. A question regarding by-election to the election committee was added under other matters.

§3 Election of meeting secretary

Johan Sahlén was elected as secretary for the meeting.

§4 Election of adjusters

Claes Ericsson and Ruby Bleppony were elected as adjusters for the meeting.

§5 Decision regarding the calling of deacon

The board proposes that the congregation call Margret Josefsson as deacon. Greger Hjelm presented the criteria on which the recruitment of a new deacon was based after Agneta Selander retired.

If the congregation decides to call her as deacon, she will take up the position on August 1, 2024.

The congregational meeting decided to call Margret Josefsson as deacon in Immanuel church by way of acclamation.

§6 Information regarding changes in the church constitution

Tobias Ejeby informed the congregational meeting about the ongoing work within the board to update the church constitution and presented selected parts of the constitution which the board plans to propose changes and adjustments to. A more detailed proposal will be presented at a later date in the next few months. The purpose with this presentation was to start a congregation-wide discussion about the current constitution and the changes that the board deems necessary. The ambition of the board is to put forward a strong proposal about parts of the constitution at the congregational meeting in March and the annual meeting on 21 April 2024.

The constitution consists of three parts: ground principles, congregational policies and statutes. The purpose of the review and update of the constitution is to:

- Review the language and remove any ambiguities.
- Strengthen the congregation's control over its assets by amending the statutes.
- Consolidate parts of the document "About Immanuel".

After Tobias Ejeby's presentation, those who participated in the meeting had the opportunity to discuss with each other about the content of the proposals and were given time to ask questions and give their views and support to the board.

§7 Decision regarding changes to the articles of association for Probitas AB

The chairman presented the board's proposal to amend the articles of association for Probitas AB. Under paragraph 6 of the articles of association, it is stated that Probitas board "shall consist of a minimum of five and a maximum of nine elected members, of which at least three shall belong to the board of Immanuel Church."

In order to reduce the workload for the board, it is proposed to change this to "at least two" elected members on Probitas board must belong to the church board.

The issue regarding a majority of the members on Probitas board will also be taken up after a change is decided upon by members of the congregation.

Voting on the proposal was carried out by a show of hands.

The congregational meeting decided to amend the articles of association for Probitas AB in accordance with the board's proposal.

§8 Election of representatives to various organizations

The chairman of the election committee, Karin Sandström, took up the issue.

The election committee proposed that the congregational meeting appoints the Diaconal Committee and The Diakoni group to appoint during this financial year (2024) the congregation's representatives to Stockholm's Free Church Council, the Social Mission and Hela Människan in Stockholm county.

The congregational meeting decided to follow the election committee's proposal. The names of those appointed by the Diaconal Committee and the Diakoni Group will be presented at a congregational meeting at a later date.

The election committee further proposed that the congregational meeting appoints Ann-Britt Lindholm and Thomas Ericsson as representatives for Bilda Öst regional meeting.

The congregational meeting decided to follow the election committee's proposal.

Representatives to the Equenia Church's church conference will be chosen at a later date.

§9 Information regarding new positions

At the request of a member, the chairman informed about the new positions that have been established by the board for the past two years. These are:

- HR-generalist 100 %
- Congregational coordinator 100 %
- Communication 200 %
- Technician 100 %
- Deacon 50 %

§10 Information regarding the celebration of the Jubilee 2024

Erik Amnå presented the planning team's work around the church's 50th anniversary. Fredrik Jonsson added thoughts around the music for the anniversary. Erik Amnå finally asked for the congregation's prayer for the jubilee year.

§11 Other matters

a) By-election to the election committee

The nomination committee proposed that Thure Thorgren be elected to the election committee.

The congregational meeting decided to follow the nomination committee's proposal by way of acclamation.

b) Information

The chairman informed about the upcoming minor renovation of the Congress which is planned due to the safety risks posed by the current lowering of the floor. The chairman also informed about the plans regarding the rebuilding of K3 into a youth floor.

§12 Conclusion

The Senior Pastor, Carin Dernulf, said a closing prayer, after which the chairman declared the meeting closed.

Secretary

Johan Sahlén

Adjusters

Ruby Bleppony
Adjuster

Claes Ericsson
Adjuster

Greger Hjelm
Chairman