Special Funds: Purpose and Creation

Background:

Under the UUFB Bylaws amendment of January 19, 2014 the Fellowship may create and utilize special, non-endowment funds for initiatives and purposes apart from normal operating expenses, consistent with the mission, goals, and plans of the Fellowship (Article XIV, Section 2). Under the amendment, the Fellowship must vote to establish any Special Funds, and the Board of Directors is tasked with establishing policies for managing the funds.

Proposition:

We hereby create the following four Special Funds, which may be allocated only according to the purposes of each fund as described below, the only exception allowable being one of extreme emergency, such as impending bankruptcy. Normally, the funds shall be allocated for use through the Fellowship's customary annual budgeting process.

1. Fellowship Development Fund

Projects and initiatives undertaken to further and improve the life of **the community within UUFB**, including

- Lifespan/religious education initiatives
- Leadership development and training
- Staffing for growth
- Planning and facilitation
- Special programs that benefit UUFB members and friends

2. Justice and Outreach Fund

Projects and initiatives intended to benefit social and/or environmental justice for **the broader community outside UUFB**, at any level, from local to international, in these general areas:

- Service
- Education
- Witness
- Advocacy

3. Capital Improvements Fund

- Facility improvement
- Major repairs and maintenance
- Extraordinary equipment needs that cannot be addressed within the existing budget and operating reserves
- Facility (or related) lease/purchase

4. Unrestricted Fund

Any special project or initiative, including those described as purposes of the other three special funds, which the Board and/or Fellowship determines is appropriate, given UUFB's mission and any relevant short- or long-range plans in effect.