

Changes Proposed to the PCD Bylaws – April 2008

The following changes to the PCD Bylaws are proposed by the PCD Board of Directors.

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Within each group, the proposed changes are listed in the order they appear in the current bylaws, first by Article, then by Section.

BYLAWS OF THE PACIFIC CENTRAL DISTRICT OF THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION

March 1988
(Amended April 29, 2006)

ARTICLE IV. PCD BUSINESS MEETINGS

Section 2:

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Section 3:

Current: Section 3. (a) The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for providing notice of any PCD UUA business meeting to the members of the Board and to minister(s) and to the presiding officer or denominational affair chairperson of each member congregation. Such notice shall include the purpose(s) of the meeting, minutes of the previous business meeting, proposed agenda, all proposed resolutions, proposed amendments to these Bylaws, and relevant committee reports. Such notices shall be mailed not later than 30 days

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Section 10:

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ARTICLE VI. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 6:

Current: Section 6. Each member of the Board shall be a member of a PCD UUA congregation or a minister in fellowship with the UUA and sponsored by a PCD UUA congregation. Not more than two elected voting members of the Board shall be associated with the same congregation.

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ARTICLE VII. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD

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Current: Section 2. The Board shall hold at least four meetings during each fiscal year. Written notice of time, place, and agenda of all meetings shall be provided in advance to each member of the Board. Minutes of each Board meeting shall be mailed after the meeting to every Board member in a timely manner, and a summary of the minutes shall be made available upon request.

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Section 1:

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ARTICLE XI. STAFF

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Section 5:

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