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## CANADIAN UNITARIAN COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING \ MAY 11, 2019

### CHANGE TO BYLAW #5: BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### BACKGROUND

1. In 2018, the Nominating Committee had difficulty finding two nominees per region, possibly related to statistically significant differences in the population of the four regions, resulting in one vacancy coming out of the AGM.
2. The proposed bylaw change, as stated in the new wording for 5.3.1, will give the Nominating Committee more flexibility in finding Trustees, while clearly maintaining two Trustees per region as the preferred representation.
3. The current text of 5.3.1 reads:
  - a. The Board shall be comprised of eight Trustees elected at the Annual Meeting, or their replacements appointed pursuant to this by-law and any additional Trustees appointed by the Board as provided below. Two of the Trustees shall be resident in each of the four Designated Geographical Areas.
4. The proposed change also has the benefit of making it possible for a Trustee to change region of residence and still remain as a Trustee, with an attendant change to 5.5.1, which currently reads:
  - a. (Termination of Office: The office of a Trustee shall be vacated before the completion of the term of office:) if such individual ceases to be a member in good standing of a member congregation or ceases to reside in the Designated Geographical Area from which elected.

#### **BE IT RESOLVED that bylaw 5.3.1 shall now read (with changes underlined):**

The Board shall be comprised of eight Trustees elected at the Annual Meeting, or their replacements appointed pursuant to this by-law and any additional Trustees appointed by the Board as provided below. The Nominating Committee shall make every effort to nominate two Trustees per Designated Geographical Area, but in the event that two nominees cannot be found from the relevant regions, shall have the flexibility to nominate a minimum of one Trustee and a maximum of three Trustees per Designated Geographical Area, with the total number of Trustees not to exceed eight.

#### **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that bylaw 5.5.1 shall now read:**

**Termination of Office:** The office of a Trustee shall be vacated before the completion of the term of office:

**5.5.1.** If such individual ceases to be a member in good standing of a member congregation.

Approved by delegates at the Annual General Meeting | May 11, 2019