

Sumant to 15 days notice personally given according to the Statute in such case made & provided, Person belonging to the Congregational Church at Battle Creek & the Congregations usually attending said Church assembled at the Place in which said Church usually worship on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 1842 for the purpose of electing Trustees as provided in the Revised Statutes, Part 1<sup>st</sup> Title 10. Chapter 1<sup>st</sup> When Deacons Hayette Cross & John S. Southworth belonging to said Church were duly nominated to preside & provided at said meeting. On motion it was voted that a Board of Trustees be chosen consisting of 5 persons, Whereupon Joseph Young, Matt Gilbert, G. F. Smith, Stephen W. Suggitt, & Allen Hall were elected by ballot as such Trustees. On motion said trustees were divided by lot into 3 Classes. numbered 1, 2, & 3. When it was determined that Joseph Young & Matt Gilbert were of the 1<sup>st</sup> Class, should their office 1 year Allen Hall of the 2<sup>d</sup> Class for 2 years, G. F. Smith & Stephen W. Suggitt of the 3<sup>d</sup> Class for 3 years. On motion it was voted that said society be called & known as the United Congregational & Presbyterian Society of Battle Creek & by such name the Trustees & their Successors in office shall be called & known.

In witness of  
Eli S. Stillman

Hayette Cross.

John S. Southworth

State of Michigan }  
County of Calhoun }  
1842, before me a Justice of the Peace for said County personally came Hayette Cross, & John S. Southworth, known to me to be the persons named in & who executed the within Certificate and acknowledged that they executed the same for the purposes therein specified.

Eli S. Stillman

Justice Peace

Rec'd for Record & recorded  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1843.

And H. W. Allen, Clerk