

# Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta Board of Trustees

## March 05, 2009 Minutes

UUCA is a community of faith that encourages and supports our individual spiritual quests out of which we act together for social justice.

The Board governs through set policies and will act on behalf of the congregation to further the congregation's mission and chosen Ends. Accordingly,

1. The Board is the link between the Executive and the congregation.
2. The Board produces written governing policies that, at the broadest levels, address each category of organizational decision: Ends, Executive Limitations, Board Governance, and Board-Executive Linkage
3. The Board will assure Executive performance in compliance with the Ends and Executive Limitations polices.

**Attendance** *Meetings are open and held at UUCA in room 209/210 at 7:00 pm on 1st Thursdays each month*

Board Members Present:	Doug Abell; Shirley Adams; Michael Dangerfield, Secretary; John Guyton, CFO; Marshall Orson; DeAnn Peterson, President; Mary Sherman; Dave Smith; Laura Yamashita, Finance Trustee;
Board Members Absent:	Laura de Castro, Pres. Elect; Gordon Love;
Staff Present	Rev. Anthony David
Guests or other congregants present:	
Chalice:	Marshall Orson
Minutes:	Michael Dangerfield
Process Observer:	Marshall Orson

**Information** *Reports are emailed in advance and further discussed as needed at meeting.*

Minutes from prior meeting:	Approved via email and posted to website.
NLDC Report:	Doug reported that the NLDC is contacting candidates and hopes to have complete slate ready in time for announcement with congregational meeting mailing. (see Doug's email)
Ends Team Report:	Laura Yamashita said Team had social hall table on February 15 with info on our Ends with bookmarks, handouts, etc. Talked with Chance & webteam about better visibility for Ends/Gifts on website.
Local Development Plans:	See David Smith's email about N. Druid Hills grant for study.
Audit Team Report:	None this month.
Finance Report :	John and Sherri were unable to meet. DeAnn handed out financial narrative and income/expense review for January. Anthony reviewed.
Executive Report :	Reviewed Anthony's report (delivered via email). More active Men's Group is taking shape. Anthony is attempting to improve review/proofreading of weekly/monthly publications and concerns about editing. Asked how to move forward on groups speaking as UUCA members but perhaps not representing a majority: Do we need to make a clearer policy on this, or are we looking for new guideline from Anthony? "Resolution on resolutions" needs to be worked out.
ByLaws Team Report:	Mary led us through Marjorie Girth and Ron Davis-prepared ByLaws document. Questions asked about budget for Long Range Plan, the need to put Long Range Planning Committee in a policy under Executive Limitations, and policies for removal from membership.
Other Business:	DeAnn explained that in 2009 budget, \$12,000 had been allocated to Restricted Reserves in order to re-fund that to a mandated level. This was in anticipation of 2008 spending from reserves to cover 2008 budget shortfall. However, donations from congregation through December 2008 beat expectations and reserves were not needed. She then asked Board for permission to move previously-allocated \$12,000 from Restricted Reserves to Personnel.

**Decisions**

Work Plan:	
Motion:	To allow \$12,000 in 2009 Budget to be shifted from Restricted Reserves to Personnel. PASSED
Work Plan:	

**Next Action Items in Work Plan**

ALL - Mark calendar for next meeting on April 2, 2009 at 7 PM.