

***Mission “UUCA: Transforming lives through courageous action and soulful connection.”***

**Meeting Host: N/A**  
**Chalice Lighter: John Duggar**

Board President: Sean Golan

Board President Elect: Maureen McAndrews

Financial Trustee: Jason Delaney

Secretary: Mary Liebman

Board Members: Jen Bain, John Duggar, Allen Lee, John Merkel, David Sjoquist.

# ***Minutes***

*(items designated \* provided in advance)*

<b>Spirit &amp; Community</b>
<p><b>Chalice Lighting</b></p> <p>Readings from Rabindranath Tagore</p>
<p><b>Circle of Connection</b></p> <p>- What are your treasures from childhood? Are there any keep-sakes you still have or miss to this day?</p>
<p><b>Announcements and Important Dates</b></p> <p>-Inquirers moved to 10/3-Thank you to John Duggar for being willing to be the Board Representative</p> <p>-Board Attendance at UUCA Events</p> <p><b>Board Goals for the year:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Support Timely Construction of New Building</b></li> <li>● <b>Engage in exploring and fully living our Values, Vision, Mission, and Ends.</b></li> <li>● <b>Establish sustainable Board Practices for Policy Governance.</b></li> <li>● <b>Online &amp; In-person Meetings</b></li> <li>● <b>8th Principle</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Thank You Messages for the Month:</b></p>
<b>The Work of the Board</b>
<p><b>Housekeeping:</b></p> <p><b>Approval of August Board Minutes:</b></p> <p>Motion by Sean Golan, Seconded by Mary Liebman</p>

Approval passed unanimously

**Board Covenant Review & Approval:**

The discussion was moved to October due to time. Board members will review the covenant in preparation for the discussion.

**Liaising/Brainstorming Session with:**

**Social Justice Steering Committee**

Leta Woo, Dot Matthews, and Allegra Knight-Byrnes joined (Ru-Lee Weller-Passman was not able to join)

**-What is working?**

**-What can the Board do to support the Social Justice Steering Committee?**

**-8th Principle**

**-What are our next steps?**

The SJSC has been working on building relationships within and outside of the congregation. They are looking at using Give Away the Plate to help reinvigorate partnerships and foster connection. To that end, they are interested in connecting with the Nominating Committee as both groups are working on developing leaders and connections. The SJSC encouraged the board to consider a discernment process for UUCA around the 8th principle. The board asked SJSC about successes and how they allocate and prioritize time and resources when both are in a limited supply. The SJSC shared its vision with the board. [Linked here](#). As part of breaking out of silos, the SJSC is looking to serve as a resource and a hub for training and supporting those who are interested in participating in social justice actions.

## Executive Report

**Report from Finance Trustee**

**Present September Financial Reports:**

As of the September Finance Committee Meeting, we were under budget in revenue, but also well under budgeted expenses. We should feel good about the financial management and we have plans in place to help people feel more connected. People have been giving at an expedited rate to Project Phoenix. Our revenue is significantly over budget for PP as people pay off their pledges more quickly than anticipated.

**Approval of August Board Financial Reports:**

Jason Delaney moved that we approve the Financial Report as submitted by the Finance Committee, John Duggar Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Annual Vision of Ministry (AVOM) Overview**

The Executive Report was shared with the Board via email. Taryn reviewed the content and answered questions from the board.

Taryn and the Board discussed the timeline for the preparation of the draft budget and the Annual Budget Meeting for the congregation.

**Mary Liebman moved to reschedule the Annual Budget Meeting to December 19th.**

**Seconded: Sean Golan**

**Motion passed unanimously**

**Town halls will also need to be rescheduled.**

**Capital Campaign Committee**

No report

**Healthy Relations Committee**

HRC will attend the October Board Meeting

**ARAOMC Committee/Counsel**

The Board discussed potential changes to the ARAOMC Committee.

Taryn suggested a small group scrum to develop a proposal for changes.

Allen, Maureen, Liebs, and David Sjoquist will meet as a working group and present at the October board meeting.

**ByLaw Committee**

No report

**Nominating Committee**

No report

**Project Phoenix Committee**

No report

**Endowment Fund**

No report

**Topics to come:**

- Board Policies-Structure of Review
- ARAOMC Engagement, Audit, Committee
- 8th Principle
- Gift Policy Review & Updates
- Annual Budget

**Closing**

The Board Charge: Research the 8th Principle and review the board covenant prior to the October Board Meeting



**Meeting of the UUCA Board of Trustees**  
**September 28, 2021 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m**

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

Readings from Rabindranath Tagore

Faith is the bird that feels the light and sings when the dawn is still dark. The people who change our lives the most begin to sing to us while we are still in darkness.

**Next meeting:** October 26th, 6-8:30 p.m.