

October 25, 2022 Board of Trustees Minutes

Location: 2650 North Druid Hills Road

Present: Maureen McAndrews, President, David Yamashita, President-Elect, Dave Sjoquist, Finance Trustee, Beth Martinez, Secretary, Liebs Liebman Honeycutt, Jason Delaney, Allen Lee, Leta Woo, Barbara Begner,, Taryn Strauss

Absent: Bryce Thomason

Maureen called the meeting to order at 6:17 pm.

Opening Words and Chalice Lighting: Liebs

Circle of Connection: Maureen

Maureen led Board Members in sharing ways they take care of themselves.

Announcements, New Business: Maureen and David

Board discussed dates for November Board Meeting, Town Halls and Congregational Meeting:

The November Board meeting will be Tuesday, November 29th.

Congregational Meeting will be on December 18th at 1:00 pm,, Zoom only.

Town Halls will be on 12/11 after service, and 12/14 after Wonderful Wednesday around 7:00 pm.

Board discussed the name of the library and reviewed the naming policy. Dave Sjoquist reviewed the Capital Campaign naming gifts from congregants.

Board discussed calling Taryn Strauss as a minister or continuing having her as a contract minister. Liebs motioned, David seconded to explore the process of looking at calling a minister. Maureen will get a committee started.

Board discussed educating the congregation on the Article II Study Commission. The UUA Board charged the Article II committee in 2017 and is now in the process of getting feedback and input. UUCA Board's decision was made to have information about this commission put in the Weekly updates so congregants can get more information.

Thank you messages for the month - Board and Maureen

The Board would like to thank Kate Sweeney for organizing the Dance Party and Elizabeth Field for connecting us with the 10/30 guest storyteller, being a leader of UU Moves, and a faithful member of Worship Team.

Annual Vision of the Ministry (AVOM): Taryn

Clergy Appreciation Month is October.

Adult RE and the Village are moving to classrooms so the Social Hall can be available

for welcoming current congregants and visitors.

Discussion of Radical Welcome Team:

1. Do we have enough volunteers to have a buddy system for new visitors?
2. Huge need for a Membership and Welcoming staff or volunteer position.
3. The Radical Welcome Team training has been well received and fills a need.

Can all congregants go through the Radical Welcome Team training?

Covid Task Force is monitoring the transmission rate. During the move to mask optional services, attendance has been monitored. Attendance has stayed steady.

Approval of the Minutes: Beth

Maureen moved to approve last month's minutes, Liebs seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Finance Report: Dave

The deficit for the year is less than budgeted. Revenue and expenditures were higher than expected last month. 41 pledging units have no contributions, which is 8% of the budget, and as of September, 76% of the pledge payments have been collected. Dave also briefly discussed Project Phoenix budget which has spent 7.7 million, with 4.6 million payments collected to date.

There was a motion by Maureen to approve the Finance reports, David seconded.

Stewardship Committee: Barbara

\$297,966 has been pledged so far which is 54 pledging units.

126 calls have been assigned with a total of 327 pledging units to be called. Barbara asked the Board to call and visit with 10 congregants to discuss the Stewardship Campaign.

8th Principle Committee: Jason

Paula Cole Jones will meet with congregants on Nov. 5th. The committee is finding other ways to reach out to the congregation for more education around the 8th principal.

Process Observation: Board

Focused on goals, yes increase revenue, education of future leaders,

Diversity in the committee to explore calling our minister, Article II

Low point - Article II discussion

High Point - agreeing to form exploration committee to call Taryn

Next Meeting: November 29, 2022

Chalice Lighter - Leta Woo

Dinner Provider - David Yamashita

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice: Liebs

Maureen adjourned the meeting at 8:28 pm.