

UUCS Board Meeting

Minutes of Meeting December 18, 2016

Board Members:

Position	Name	Term end date	Present
Chair	LJ Frederickson	June 30, 2017	Yes
Vice-Chair	John Prohodsky	June 30, 2017	Yes
Secretary	Paul Parmley	June 30, 2017	Yes
Treasurer	Lorna Youngs	June 30, 2017	Yes
Director	(OPEN)	June 30, 2018	N/A
Director	Susan Farris-Gosser	June 30, 2018	Yes
Director	Gloria Holland	June 30, 2018	Yes
Director	Stephanie Jernstedt	June 30, 2017	Yes
Director	Elenie Smith	June 30, 2017	Yes
Director	JP Batmale	June 30, 2017	Yes
Past Chair	(LJ Frederickson)	June 30, 2017	N/A

Ex-officio:

Position	Name		Present
Minister	Rick Davis		Yes
Intern Minister	Monica Tennessen Jacobson		Yes

Visitors:

Lynn Cardiff, Mark Kendall, Victor Reppeto, Arrhiannon Kirkpatrick, Ed Kramer

The meeting was called to order by LJ Frederickson at 1:05 p.m.

CUUPS (non-agenda item)

Arrhiannon Kirkpatrick asked for approval from the board for the CUUPS charter renewal. A motion was made by Stephanie J. and seconded by Lorna Y. to continue the CUUPS charter at UUCS. Susan F-G. asked Arrhiannon K. to give us a copy of the signed letter.

Vote to accept meeting minutes (from November 10th meeting)

JP moved to accept the meeting minutes from the November 10th board meeting. Susan F-G. seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor of approval. The motion was approved.

Welcome Table coverage (January 8th)

JP will cover first and second service. LJ offered to help. The board's next welcome table Sunday to cover will be February 5th, 2017.

Next board retreat date/topic

The next board retreat will be Saturday February 18th from 10am to 1pm at Lorna Youngs' house. The topics for the meeting will be a continuation of the Strategic Plan and emerging congregations and growth through service.

Treasurer's Report questions

No questions.

Minister's Report questions

Rick D. asked that each board member facilitate a small Appreciative Inquiry group during the pledge drive. The board will have its own Appreciative Inquiry group first so everyone knows how they should be run. Most groups will meet on Sunday mornings but there will also be Tuesday meetings throughout the month. It will be the facilitator's job to make sure everyone has the opportunity to speak and fills out a pledge card. We don't yet have a date for the board's small group. LJ added that it is a responsibility of the board members to participate and support the pledge drive.

Strategic Plan update (ongoing)

(need names of strategic plan committee by January 12th meeting)

No update.

Safer Congregation update

Stephanie J. clarified that the committee is called the Safer Congregation committee and is specifically about sexual safety in the congregation. Ed K. asked if the name could be changed, but as we are following the UUA Safer Congregation program, we would like to keep the name. John P. asked if we could build upon the Safer Congregation to address other types of harassment

Volunteer Positions that are open (Nominating Committee)

Mark K., a member of the Nominating Committee, announced to the board that they are actively discussing a board position with Joanna Manson. Joel Woodman has agreed to serve on the board in June. The Nominating Committee is working on other open positions as well, specifically Fellowship, Fundraising, and Facilities.

Kaleidoscope / building rentals

In an effort to formalize our relationship with long term users of our facility, Sam S. has prepared an agreement with the Aztec Dancers outlining their partnership and agreements with UUCS.

Church sign update

Rick D. will convene a meeting with the architect, landscape architect, communications team, and membership team in late January to discuss a new church sign to replace the existing sign at the corner of Center and Cordon.

Vice Chair's update

John is needing contact information for people who should attend the Team Council meeting and will schedule his first Team Council meeting in late January.

Congregational Resolution on the climate of intolerance

John P. spoke regarding the current political climate and spike in hate speak. John feels this is beyond social justice and should come from the board, Susan F-G. thinks this should come through Social Justice. Rick D. thinks the board can ask the Social Justice team to help us craft this statement. Mark K. said that part of the key to this resolution should be an action that the congregation can take. Monica T-J. suggested there are many things we can do, and proposed the model of small short statements and focusing on a different statement/issue each year. Ed K. asked about Rick's newsletter article where he called for impeachment of the president elect.

Rick clarified that his call was more about ethics and values than political. Lorna Y. questioned the process and asked if the board is actually empowered to do this without the congregation. It was generally agreed upon that this would be a congregational vote. Lorna said that we should be cautious about how political this process is as to not make our congregation and/or congregants targets and that we should consider how this will play out in the community. Gloria H. expressed that students at local schools are terrified about the consequences of the election – and that she would be personally willing to protest/picket. LJ is torn about if this needs to be or should be a board or congregation decision and believes we need a plan and that plan should come from Social Justice. John will discuss this with Social Justice and report back to the board. Victor R., a representative of the Social Justice team, said they are working on publishing statements in local publications, and will run things by the board and Reverend Rick before publishing.

Finance update

Finance Team is working on the budget and the pledge drive. Susan F-G. said Robin will be joining the Finance Team. Carol Manka has the draft of the Finance Committee's strategic plan.

Sound system update

Much has been done and the results have been positive. There is more to do, especially the Wi-Fi system and Digital Signage.

Auction (non-agenda item)

March 31st is the date that has been selected for the auction, if it works for the board. The board generally agreed the date would be fine.

The meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be Thursday, January 12, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Parmley