

HUUC Board of Trustees
Wednesday, April 13th, 2016
Board Meeting Minutes

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Present: David McIntire, President; Rebecca St. Clair, Vice-president; Tim Hamlin, Secretary; John Wilkinson, Deborah Margules, Bruce Froelich, Jeff Ochsner

1. Chalice lighting / Introductions

1. Guest Presentation:

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3. Fred Wooden (W. Fred Wooden) Senior Minister for the Fountain Street Church was present to explore some ways he might provide some expertise and consultation to our congregation.

1. During check-in each board member notes some areas they thought we might be in need of some help; an incomplete list of those ideas included:

- a) Pastoral Services
- b) Training
- c) Lay Education in areas where we lack expertise
- d) Adult RE
- e) New member cultivation, orientation
- f) There is a desire to nourish both our 'health' in terms of how we support each other and find good 'fits' for people within the congregation and just plane getting mundane chores into the hands of someone who will take responsibility for them.

Fred noted that goals should be “SAM” Specific, Achievable and Measurable. He, also, noted that UU's love “process” and what you get with process is “Cheese Whiz”; that we might consider a 'Clarity Committee' since a very important part of growing and improving the congregation is to achieve clarity regarding goals or whatever issues are being considered.

Fred can come on a quarterly basis to see how we are doing in terms of board leadership. He suggested we might want to start those board meetings at an earlier time make room for this new agenda item.

He plans to come to speak (in late July?) and to follow up re leadership at that time.

1. Acceptance of Minutes:

Dave motioned that the March meeting minutes be approved as written; second by John Wilkinson. Motion passed.

1. Treasurer's/Bookkeeper's Reports:

- a) Treasurer's Report, Bruce Froelich (written and verbal):

There is a 2.1% increase in the pledging of those who, also, pledged last year and there are 5 new pledge 'units' relative to last year. Total paid on pledges for this year are down about 3% from this point last year but this is not of serious concern.

- b) Bookkeeper's Report, Deborah Margules (written and verbal):

Correction to written report; In 4th bullet under; “Expenses as of 3-21-2016”; “Food Truck should read; “Supper House”.

Motion to accept Treasurer's and Bookkeeper's reports by Rebecca St. Clair, second by John Wilkinson. Motion passed.

1. President's Report; None

1. Committee Reports:

All committee reports deferred due to limited time except for:

- a) Building and Grounds: The chair lift in the foyer is, now, fixed and the flag is back up.

1. Old Business:

- a) SPLAT Consultant Session by Rebecca St. Clair:

Kristen is proposing a 2 hour leadership meeting on May 20th, a 2 hour preliminary session followed by a 3 hour session on Saturday the 21st in the morning (either 10 to 1 or 9 to noon). She would preach the next day (Sunday). Her fees are low as she is not charging for transportation. Total costs will be \$900 (\$250 from Worship/Music for sermon, \$100 for Friday and \$550 for Saturday (including prep). Her curricula is based on “7,000 Ways to Listen”.

- a) HUUC Representative at General Assembly:

Various members have relatively secure to tentative plans to attend: Gwen Williams, Margot Haynes, Kwame and Rebecca and Susan Fabric. Some going for part of the conference due to other obligations. Tim will submit an estimate of his expected expenses. Whatever funds are left over will be used to offset expenses of others going.

Bruce made motion that all budgeted funds (\$1300) be used to offset

expenses of all going to the extent that they can after half of Tim's projected expenses are paid. Motion second by John Wilkinson; Approved.

a) HUUC Logo revision: Tim Hamlin:

b)

Tim reports that a new logo has not, yet been created but that the UUA is, now, giving specific guidelines and graphics they suggest be used. The new logo proposal will be within the UUA guidelines.

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2. **New Business:**

a) Building use request;

Poppy Hernandez request possible use of building on May 28th. She plans to have a graduation party and would like to have the building to use as a fall back option.

John Wilkinson motioned to approve this request; second by Deborah Margules; Approved.

a) FY 2016-2017 budget:

After lengthy discussion the board approved a proposed budget for submission to the upcoming annual meeting.

a) Volunteer Recruitment; Tim Hamlin

Deferred.

1. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by John Wilkinson, second by Rebecca St. Clair;
approved at
8:57 p. m.

1. Dates:

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 11th, 2016 at 7:00 p. m.

June Newsletter deadline: Tuesday, May 24th

Annual Meeting Date: Sunday, May 15th – 1:00 p. m.

Respectfully submitted:

Tim Hamlin

Board Secretary