

AUUF Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting: Sunday, October 21, 2018

Board Members Present: Larry Miller, Keralee Clay, Tom Nichols, Rosalie Falcon, Nina Stein.

Absent: Michael Timsico, Gerald Schoen

Committee Chairs/Representatives Present: Eric Berg, April Myers, Martin Sauer

Minister: Rev. Nell Newton

The board allowed for open forum with the congregation from 12:15 to 12:30. Martin Sauer brought the following issue: that no child RE worker should be in contact with a child under 18 through electronic media.

Larry Miller called the meeting to order.

Keralee Clay moved and Tom Nichols seconded "That no Child RE Worker shall establish an electronic media connection with a child under the age of 18. The motion carried.

Approval of minutes from September. Tom Nichols moved. Keralee Clay seconded. Carried.

Rosalie Falcon presented the treasurer's report. We borrowed money from ourselves, but there is no surplus to pay it back. Discussion of dollar needs and the need to make the congregation aware by discussing with them every Sunday - what we need and what we have.

Rosalie Falcon made a motion to file for audit. Seconded by Keralee Clay. Motion was carried.

Eric Berg presented the Stewardship Committee report. A discussion of Budget and Stewardship ensued. For reference LY's budget was \$150,000 and pledges were \$120,000. It was decided we need to rearticulate our dream of supporting a minister and young families (i.e. children's RE) to the congregation with an approach from a point of view of abundance and positivity..

Rosalie Falcon reported on the Beans and Cornbread dinner saying it was a small but vital group. The citywide fundraiser luncheon is on Monday, the 29th.

April Myers gave the Membership Committee report: five people took the new member class. Rebel and Belle Hayhurst, Max Norton, and Crystal Weise were affirmed by the board as new members. They will be welcomed by the congregation in next Sunday's service.

Rev. Nell Newton's report: Request for board to put energy in membership and leadership development. She said that membership is about integrating people into the congregation. She suggested that we need more committee members to accomplish this. To help with leadership she suggested we bring in a life consultant at \$150/ day. This is at ½ the actual cost because we are fair share givers. Larry will be communicating with a life staff member to get more information.

Old Business: Larry Miller needs the bios. of the board members who haven't turned them in yet.

Purposeful Conversations: Nell suggested we listen carefully re change. There is discomfort with change. We are no longer a small group. There are lots of new people and many people don't know each other. We need some targeted programing such as seniors and life change.

Larry suggested there is frustration with finding stuff on the website. It was suggested that we have a tutorial on website and printed copies of the minutes for those who request them..

We need to do better job of being transparent.

We have a new member committee on ministry: Debbie Barnes

Larry Miller recused himself while we discussed issues of Lydia Miller's position as Youth Religious Education Director. We discuss both the RE budget and the expansion of RE. It was decided that due to current climate and unrest, we will wait and reconsider expansion of the position of her position in the next year. We felt for the time being this was in the highest good. We agreed an increase in hourly wage to bring her in line with UUA guidelines was appropriate.

New Business: Looking at a Power Point presentation on stewardship and discussing it.

The following nominations were presented by the Leadership Development Committee:

Veep: Rolf Habersang

Sec: Nina Stein

Trustees: Minnie Venable; Jeff Davis; Markus Lang

Leadership; Rick Todd; Deb Winters; Cyndy Walton

The board of trustees will present the following slate of officers to the congregation for the year 2019:

President: Larry Miller

Vice President: Rolf Habersang

Secretary: Nina Stein

Treasurer: Rosalie Falcon

Trustees: Minnie Venable, Jeff Davis, Tom Nichols, Markus Lang

Leadership Development Committee: Rick Todd, Deb Winters, Cyndy Walton

April Myers will have a knee replacement in Nov. Nancy Stephens as well as Rosalie Falcon and Minnie Venable will fill in for her in the office.

Meeting adjourned by Larry Miller.