

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Venice Minutes from the Board of Trustee's Meeting

September 8th 2015

CHECK IN AND QUORUM

Joel called the Meeting to order AT 9:30am with check-ins of the members.
Attendance: Joel Morrison, Earl Braumruck, Marion Fox, Rev. Khleber Van Zandt, Peter Hurley,
Via Phone Conference (due to technical difficulties with video conference) Bill Dowling, Dave Lyons

MINUTES

The minutes from the August 11th Meeting were set aside for approval until next meeting.

The minutes from the Personnel Meeting in regards to hiring the new DRE were moved to be accepted by Earl, seconded by Peter and approved.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Peter gave the treasurer's Report. There was nothing unusual about our income for the past month. The deficit, of about \$2,500, is normal for August. We are still waiting for the FPL refund for the solar panels. Earl moved we accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Mariam and approved.

MINISTER REPORT

Rev. Khleber gave the Minister's Report. The Stewardship workshop went very well. We had teams from seven congregations show up, including some from across the State. Erin and Joel also shared their thoughts on the workshop. The overall feel was that there were new ideas presented and the excitement is building for the Next Step Workshop.

DRE REPORT

Rev. Khleber presented the question of should the new Director of Religious Education attend the Coordinating Council Meetings. The general consensus from the board is the new director should attend once to meet and see what goes on but she would not attend on a regular basis, nor is she to be a formal member of the council.

Rev. Khleber then presented another question of should we have an adult religious education committee? It was decided that it was not needed to change the current set-up.

He also brought our need to be thinking of a team leader for Lifespan education. Phil and Steve have the position currently but they accepted on a short-term basis. It was decided we would re-evaluate in October when the new DRE is in place.

TWO SERVICES

A discussion was held on when to go to two Sunday Services. Rev. Khleber gave an outline of what he would like to see happen.

Marian made a motion to have two services January through March. Bill seconded the motion. Dave called for a roll call vote. Joel voted against. Earl voted in favor. Marian voted in favor. Erin voted against. Peter voted against. Bill voted for. Dave voted against. The motion failed.

Peter made a motion to follow Rev. Khleber's proposed outline. Dave seconded the motion. Joel called for a vote on the motion of starting two services November 8th and leaving the end date to the discretion of the Minister any time after April 1st. Earl called for a vote. Vote was four to three. Motion passed. Dave suggested that Rev. Khleber and Joel write a letter explaining the decision to the congregation, to which they agreed.

CSAI PROPOSAL

Kindra Muntz has submitted a request to the Board asking if UUCOV will sponsor the Proposed CSAI (Passing the 28th amendment: Corporations are not people; money isn't speech) for GA 2016.

It was decided UUCOV will support it being placed on the ballot and will consult the congregation at the second congregational meeting as to how to vote. Marian Moved we accept this request. Peter Seconded. Passed

SECOND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

In regards to the Second Congregational Meeting the board has decided to send out a request for agenda items, with the deadline of all requests must be received one week prior to the meeting.

Marian moved we set the date of this meeting as January 24th 2016. Earl Seconded. Motion passed.

CRITERIA FOR PLACING ITEMS ON THE BOARD AGENDA

Marian made a motion that in the future requests to be placed on the board meeting agenda be made two weeks in advance. Some discussion was carried out about this. Bill states with the exception that Joel can approve urgent requests that don't fall within that deadline.

Joel made the motion that items, with documentation, be submitted to the board agenda no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. Peter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Joel will also add this to policy and procedures.

YRE ADULT SUPERVISION

Rev. Kleber sought clarification regarding the age at which an individual is considered an adult with respect to supervision responsibility for children in YRE. The issue arose because a young person, age 18, is currently identified as an adult to meet the YRE requirement that there be two adults present when children are being supervised. It was noted that there are other ages, 16 and 21, associated with the criteria for adult in UUCOV and UUA.

Rev. Khleber will meet with the YRE committee to clarify the adult criteria for children supervision and report back to the Board.

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN

Rev. Khleber noted the difficulty in securing an A/V person to operate the equipment during the services and at other functions. He suggested that Erin might be a possible candidate. He thought she should be able to handle the basic functions of the audio-visual equipment after some technical training. This was a topic that was not on the agenda and per the Board's new agenda criterion it will be place on next month's agenda for consideration.

ADJOURNMENT

Joel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peter seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

12/8/15

Bill Dowling recorder
For Erin Fangboner, Secretary

Date minutes approved by Board