

**UUCOV Board of Trustees**  
**Meeting**  
**October 11,2018**

**Call to order** at 9:30 am.

**Members present** in person or via Zoom: Linda Underwood, Donna Schafer, Dave Lyon, Linda Kabo, Rev. Khleber Van Zandt, Richard Palmer, Pam MacFarlane, Ken Boysworth.

**A reading** was offered by Rev. Van Zandt.

**Quorum** was established.

**Check-in** was completed.

**Thank-you notes** will be sent to: Members of the work crew; Marianne Koerner, Leie Carmody, Barbara Buehring, Peggy Drogosch, Francie Storey.

**Minutes** of the previous meeting were approved via email.

**President's Report**

The agenda is the report.

**Vice-President's Report**

The congregational meeting to discuss the \$100,000 donation went well. The main concern is the use of the Futures Fund and the desire to have it focused for building or long-range planning. A majority of the whole congregation (109 members) is needed to approve this motion. Members may vote by paper ballot or email. The deadline for receipt of ballots is midnight, Oct 18. Coordinating Council and Team Reports are appended.

**Minister's Report**

Marcie Schiff is settling well into her new position. Paystubs for employees, either paper or electronic, are needed. Dave will ask Patriot if they can provide stubs.

**Treasurer's Report**

Net income for September was \$5,449.94. Marianne Koerner has donated her pay for providing musical services to the church. This will be recorded under a new line item, General Donations. Treasurer's Report is appended.

**Membership**

Current membership is 213.

**Old Business**

- *Update on campus projects.* Ken Boysworth presented photos and a report of the work done on remodeling Asta Linder. The work is complete except for some small items which will be done after Oct 17 when Family Promise is finished. Pending projects for AL include kitchen upgrades, improved lighting, and exterior sidewalk restoration. The sliding doors to the Sanctuary lanai will be installed soon. Stucco painting will begin in about two weeks. Pending

project for the Sanctuary is pressure washing of the front apron - patio and sidewalks. Khleber and Ken noted that church signage needs improvement. Pam has had signs made bearing the church's mission statement. These will be placed on the inner windows of the Sanctuary. Pam is also looking into chairs from Church Chairs of America. Campus Projects Report is appended.

- *Congregational Goals Review.* Linda U. reported that we are on track with these goals.
- *Meditation Discussion.* Linda K. reported that attendance at the meditation group led by the monks has been dropping significantly. Reasons given by some of the drop-outs include difficulty understanding the monks' accents; lack of "uplift" from the meetings; and dissatisfaction with the content (or lack thereof) of the teachings. Linda will continue to monitor the situation to see if attendance improves with the return of seasonal people. Linda also reported that the meeting on "What Is Spirituality?" went well. There is clearly an interest in more programming/groups on spiritual themes. Fourteen people attended, and several noted that they were uncomfortable using religious language which was important to them in their Spiritual Fellowship groups and in the congregation in general. Khleber noted that the Chalice Circles might be an appropriate venue for those who want more spiritual group opportunities. These groups will re-start in January.

## **New Business**

- *Changes in leadership.* Linda U. reported that Don Courtsal will succeed Tom Utschig as Finance chair. Eileen Leapley will succeed Marty King as head of Social Justice. Linda also noted that two people are needed to succeed Lori Baribeault for the Sunday Morning Experience team: one to coordinate the announcements and one to oversee the hiring of guest ministers. A personnel committee is needed. The Nominating Committee needs names.
- *Proposed Charitable Giving System.* Pam presented the proposal for revisions to our system of charitable giving.

**MOTION** The Board approves and supports the Proposed Charitable Giving System.

Motion passes unanimously.

Proposal is appended.

- *SURE Event.* Kindra Muntz, Khleber and Linda Van Zandt will attend this meeting.
- *Home School Co-op Request.* Linda U. reported that a group of home-schooling mothers, most of whom are agnostic, atheist or unaffiliated, are looking to hold group meetings at UUCOV. Khleber asked if they have insurance or if our insurance would cover them. Dave suggested that they make a donation rather than enter a rental agreement with us.  
**MOTION** The Board supports the formation of this group and will explore further involvement with them. Motion passes unanimously.
- *Green Sanctuary Proposal.* Linda U. reported that Green Sanctuary members are requesting

to sell note cards on the lanai to benefit Transition Venice.

**MOTION** Allow the selling of cards on the lanai by Green Sanctuary. Motion fails.

- Dave said that Pest Control applications will be done four times a year.
- Linda U. said that Lori needs help with the announcements and urged signing up for this. Donna will ask the CC members to take a Sunday each.
- *Social Event Discussion.* Pam reported that Bird Bay will be rented for Thanksgiving dinner. This will be part-catered and part-potluck. Pam's cleaning lady will be paid to do the cleanup. Ruth and Barbara will help. Nothing is yet planned for Christmas. Pam will speak with the Neighborhood Groups about bringing something for after the service on Christmas Eve.

**MOTION** The Board approves serving wine and beer after the Christmas Eve service.

Motion passes unanimously.

- *Guest At Your Table.* Social Justice can take this on if they want to.

Next meeting: Nov 8

Meeting adjourned 12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kabo,

Secretary