

UUCOV Board of Trustees

Minutes of March 10, 2022 Meeting

Call to Order

- President Pamela Palmer called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.
- Chalice Lighting & Opening Words were offered by Reverend William Nelsen
- Members present: Pamela Palmer, Jack Head, Dave Lyon, Ken Boysworth, Steve Leapley, Serena Cannarelli, and Claire Harrison. Also present: Bill Reynolds and our guest minister for the month of March, Reverend William Nelsen. Pat Wellington present via zoom.
- Check In

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of February 10, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting approved as distributed via email.

Response to Reports & Correspondence

- President's Report – Agenda acts as report
- Vice-President's Report – Jack Head reported Coordinating Council met on March 1, minutes of the meeting are available online.
- Treasurer's Report – Dave Lyon stated that the Bookkeeper's Report for February had not yet been received and thus the Treasurer's monthly report is not available at this time. He will forward both reports once completed. FY'23 pledges totaling \$276,000 of the \$300,000 budgeted have been received. The humanitarian collection for Ukraine, continuing through the month of March, has already resulted in a fantastic response from the Congregation.
- Letter of Agreement/Contract for our Office Administrator, Salli Clarke, has been signed.

Resignation of Choir Director

- Letter has been received from Dr. Marcelle Leonard, our Choir Director, indicating she will not be renewing her contract ending April 15th of this year. Bill Harrison, Chair of the Music Committee, will speak with her regarding announcing her decision to the Congregation.

Interim Minister Search

- The Interim Minister Search Committee has prepared an overview of interim ministry and the Committee's goals. Dave Williams made copies available at last week's informational meeting following Sunday services.
- With Jack Head's resignation from Committee, Janet Knudsen is now chair.
- Feedback will be solicited from the Congregation on what we are looking for in an Interim Minister.

Settled Minister Search

- Phase 2's focus is on educating the Congregation on the process including timeline for selection of Settled Minister Search Committee.
- It was agreed this was not an item for discussion at today's meeting and will be addressed by newly elected Board of Trustees at future meetings.

Annual Meeting Preparation

- Letter and all relevant attachments were emailed to members on February 12th. March edition of *Connection* also has a link to all of the Annual Meeting information.

- Email voting will not be possible this year. Absentee ballots will be made available Sunday for members unable to attend the meeting. Although absentee ballots are available, it is important for members to attend in order to insure quorum. Next year, Breeze will be able to be used for voting.
- Don Courtsal has agreed to serve as parliamentarian. Pam also informed the Board that Julie Jons is preparing a power point presentation honoring the six members of our Congregation who have died this past year.

Information

- Meeting to discuss future possible use of land is scheduled for this Sunday following services. There have been inaccurate rumors circulating regarding Blue Lotus Meditation building a Buddhist temple already having been approved. This may in part be due to their having a “dream rendering” for attendees to see at their Saturday morning meditation class. Again stressed that there have only been very preliminary conversations about this idea.
- Approval given to Blue Lotus Meditation to hold a vigil for Ukraine on campus. UUCOV Social Justice Team is spearheading collecting donations throughout March for humanitarian aid for Ukrainians.
- Venice Historical Society is discussing returning to holding their lecture series at UUCOV.

Old Business

- No further information at this time regarding lift station work being done on campus.
- Steve Leapley made the motion, seconded by Jack Head, to hire the security guard currently employed by Montessori School for position of hourly security guard for Sunday services for the summer. Following discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- Masking – Ken Boysworth made the motion, seconded by Steve Leapley, that masking inside all UUCOV buildings be considered optional effective immediately. Following discussion, the motion passed unanimously. Email blast notifying the members will be sent.
- COVID Monitoring – Serena asked that someone else take on task of monitoring current information related to the status of COVID that has been her responsibility these past two years.
- Personnel Committee – Claire reported the Committee has begun its work and are scheduled to meet on a biweekly basis through April. Draft of the proposed changes to the purpose, structure, and responsibilities of the Committee were sent to the Board for review. Board approved as put forward by the Committee.
- Letter of Agreement – Letter of Agreement/Contract for Kathy Avery, Director of Lifespan Religious Education/Worship Team Leader was sent to the Board for review. Board accepted agreement as put forward.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Next Meeting

- Next scheduled meeting of the Board - Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Claire Harrison, Secretary