UUCOV Board of Trustees Minutes of 3-16-23 Meeting

Members present: Jack Head, Steve Leapley, Ken Boysworth, Serena Cannarelli, Pat Wellington, Bill Reynolds and Moe Morison. Rev. Amy Petrie Shaw present. Opening words and Chalice lighting by Rev. Amy.

Guests present: Barbara Buehring Jean Sibbers (via Zoom)

<u>Committees Reporting Directly to the Board</u> By-Laws: No report

Chief of Staff: No report

Denominational Affairs:

Pat Wellington reported that plans are moving forward for the 4 UUCOV delegates (Pat Wellington, Marcia Smith, Jan Simon and Steve Simon) attending the UUA GA.

Transition Team: No report

Personnel: No report

Health and Wellness:

Serena Cannarelli reported that Sarasota County is up to medium risk with regard to COVID transmission and that we are encouraging members to be sure to get all five vaccines.

Minister Search:

Serena Cannarelli reported that the Settled Minister Search Committee has begun to meet autonomously. There will be one transition meeting with Rev. Amy, who will meet with them and Christine Purcell, the UUA Transitions representative.

Strategic Planning:

Bill Reynolds reported that the survey has been sent to all members and supporting friends. Returns thus far are strong in numbers.

Stewardship:

No report

Business Meeting called to order

Business meeting called to order by Bill Reynolds. A quorum was established by Board Secretary Moe Morison.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of February 16, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting were approved by email previously; motion to formally approve was made by Pat Wellington and seconded by Serena Cannarelli. Motion passed.

Thank You Notes

Secretary Moe Morison wrote Stephanie Zoernack a note from the Board of Trustees, as requested by President Jack Head, offering support and urging her to utilize the Caring Team.

A request was made to send a thank you note to Richard Cannarelli for heading the Pledge Campaign. Secretary Moe Morison agreed to take care of this.

Ken Boysworth requested that Secretary Moe Morison write thank you notes in acknowledgement for two donations in memorium. Secretary agreed to take care of these.

Correspondence None reported

<u>Reports</u>

President's Report: Jack Head is in the process of inquiring if the Chairs of all Committees want to remain in their positions.

Vice President's Report:

Steve Leapley reported that there is no update on the easement issue with IVMS. He will meet with Kathy Avery to learn technical literacy for signage logos. Dorset Printing and two other companies will give estimates—The Board of Trustees will obtain three estimates for this project.

Land survey - no update.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Ken Boysworth reported on the February Treasurer's Report. This was reviewed (emailed to the Board previously). Motion was made by Ken Boysworth and seconded by Moe Morison, to accept report. Motion passed.

Ken also reported that UUCOV may need to fund \$15,000 from the Operational Reserve funds to fund fiscal year 2024 to make up for a carryover shortfall.

Minister's Report:

Rev. Amy is working on the required Interim Evaluation for the UUA; she will then turn it over to the Board for completion.

Rev. Amy is also working to reinvigorate VICA. She is leading the efforts to engage increased interest and events.

Another new project Rev. Amy reported on will be our contribution to IVMS families in need at Easter. UUCOV will provide Easter baskets for children at the school whose families are underserved and would benefit from this contribution.

The "Letters from a Glass House" podcast statistics have been compiled - we have achieved broad-based international listening, as well as across the US.

Unfinished Business

UUCOV Campus Face-Lift: Patio concrete repairs are completed.

Signage:

The Board discussed the situation regarding the corner, and reviewed the reality that the new electronic sign cannot be placed at this location. There have been long-standing problems with the electricity on the corner and no foundation to support the sign. Additionally there are three poles blocking the view and the matter of the culvert. Town ordinances prohibit going any closer to the road, and it would not be desirable to block the view of the sanctuary. As a result of these impediments, we will have a new sign installed on the corner.

Blue Lotus: The new lease has been signed.

New Business

Housekeeping staff payment:

Steve Leapley made a motion which was seconded by Moe Morison to pay our housekeeping staff a flat rate per week. Motion passed. As Chief of Staff, Rev Amy will undertake the revision of Ashley's contract.

Prep for Annual Meeting:

Discussion of necessary details was reviewed for the upcoming Annual Congregational meeting.

UUCOV Banner:

Pat Wellington will work with her sister-in-law to make a new banner to represent UUCOV at GA. Delegates will also have T shirts.

Financial assistance availability for UUCOV events:

The Board agreed that financial hardship should not be a barrier to participating in UUCOV events. In some cases, UUCOV may be able to assist with financial means; Rev Amy will be in charge of this.

Motion made by Steve Leapley to end the business meeting and seconded by Ken Boysworth. Motion passed.

Business meeting adjourned at 11:20 am. Chalice extinguished and closing words from Rev. Amy Petrie Shaw. Next meeting will be Thursday, April 13, 9:30 am.

Respectfully submitted, Moe Morison