

UUCOV Board of Trustees  
Minutes February 19, 2026 Meeting

Attending: Steve Leapley, Bill Reynolds, Bev Lieberman, Barbara Buehring, John Spitzer, Marcia, Rev. Amy Petrie-Shaw

Guests: Anna Drallios, Denny Fuller, Linda Underwood

Opening words/light chalice: Rev. Amy

Establish that a quorum is present: Barbara

Call the meeting to order: Bill

Steve made a motion to approve the minutes of the January meeting and the agenda of the February meeting, Bev seconded, the motion carried.

Anna Drallios: The Save Our Democracy event will cost over \$25K. The Alliance is asking UUCOV for a \$3K donation. They have raised about \$10K already and would like to raise extra to use when planning next year. Most of the cost is the keynote speaker, the venue, and heavy security. They are asking all Alliance members to contribute. Steve moves we donate the \$3K, Bev seconds, the motion carries. They are also looking for volunteers. Rev. Amy will check on grants that may be available. Putting this on the Wishlist is also a possibility.

Denny Fuller and Linda Underwood: Do we want to continue Fellowship groups or just let existing ones continue but otherwise drop them. Has interest in them waned, are they an out-of-date product. Discussion.

Minister's Report: A lot of external-facing events are drawing visitors. Rev. Amy will probably do another Conversations Across the Aisles event. Another Karlus Trapp event is coming up, and Ayleen is working on a cinema festival with movies UUs would want to watch. Rev. Amy is considering applying to the MFC (UUA Ministerial Fellowship Committee) to be a settled minister. She is coming up on 5 years at UUCOV. Surgery will be March 19. She expects to miss only one service until June. An option is to invite William Esty to be a guest minister for June and August; he is awaiting ordination.

Marketing and Office: Ayleen got the auction catalog out. Marketing is being done for an upcoming Karlus Trapp event and the library event. The Communications Team is growing and is working with Ayleen.

President's Report: The reclaimed water is hooked up and functioning. Steve is planning on switching irrigation care to FloWorks.

Vice President's Report: The Membership Team is bringing in new members as fast as we are losing them. Amy and Marcia are going to schedule some how-to-use-Breeze classes. Marcia will be meeting with the nominee for vice president.

Treasurer's Report: The report was emailed. UUA dues have been paid for this year. Next years are due in June. It's now a percentage of a congregation's budget instead of being based on the number of members.

Secretary's Report: Waters Hall correspondents were invited to form a committee and look into renovating it. The rest concerns the annual meeting. New thank you: Don Robinson for removing the water fountains in the sanctuary.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Annual meeting
  - Agenda needs to be finalized—ask for Social Justice report? No, just an acknowledgement.
  - Will there be virtual attendance and voting: YES. Let Ayleen know that Rev. Amy will create the Zoom link. Ayleen will sub in case Rev. Amy is indisposed.
  - Approve nominating committee proposed slate (under New Business)
- Safety concerns revisited (Marcia)
  - We will change the codes on an annual basis, maintain a distribution list with all the relevant board and team and activity leaders to let them know the new code. We will also post a sign with 3 people who can be called if someone needs to get in.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Waters Hall proposal (Marcia). The committee will try to get some broad costs and get feedback from the congregation. Possible funding could come from the Futures fund and from the Wishlist. There will be special meetings for people to come to discuss the proposal.
- Approve revised Policies and Procedures. Marcia moves that the revised Policies and Procedures be accepted, Barbara seconds, the motion carries.

- Wish list item—music (John). Bill moves that a Wishlist item for \$1000.00 for guest musicians be approved, Steve seconds, the motion carries.
- Approve nominating committee slate. Bill moves that we accept the Nominating Committee's proposed slate, Steve seconds, the motion carries.

Bill moves we adjourn the meeting, Bev seconds, the motion carries.

Our next meeting will be March 19, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Buehring  
Board Secretary