

UUSS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2014

Board Members Present: Linda Clear, Glory Wicklund, Cathy George, Meg Burnett, Janet Lopes, Gordon Gerwig, Charlotte Selton

Board Members Absent: Linda Klein, Eric Ross, Peter Killian

Staff Present: Rev. Roger Jones

Consent Agenda

The January minutes were unanimously approved. The letter drafted by Pete Martineau for Linda Clear's signature regarding instant run off voting was unanimously approved with minor modifications.

Sale of the Duplexes

Linda C. reported the sale of the duplexes will close on March 5, 2014.

Implementing the Master Plan

The February 23 Congregational meeting was discussed. There was a very good turnout for the meeting held between services. Rev. Roger indicated that several people made commitments that day for the building project in amounts ranging from \$1,000-\$15,000. Comments from the congregation were supportive in wanting the building project to move forward. The next regularly scheduled IMP meeting on March 2, Lucy will facilitate. Lucy's notes from that meeting have been placed in the BOT dropbox in the BOT/IMP folder.

A Joint BOT/IMP Financing Task Force is being established to move forward in examining financing to close the gap in the building project. The following members are on the Committee: Linda Clear, Glory Wicklund, Gordon Gerwig, Janet Lopes, Colene Schlaepfer and Ginger Enrico. Once we have a financing plan, we will need a congregational meeting in April to bring financing plans to the congregation for their discussion and approval.

Endowment Trust has offered to loan the church \$350,000 over 30 years at 2% interest with payments of about \$1200 a month. The Endowment Trust Committee is thinking about closing this endowment and opening up a new endowment with fewer restrictions.

The meeting with SAUCC about the delay in our move went well. We may need to update them in the next 60 days about our anticipated moving date.

There is a letter in mail today from Rev. Roger and Carrie Cornwell to those who have joined the church since the Capital Campaign. They are being invited to a meeting on March 16 describing the Capital Campaign project and are being asked to contribute.

There is a need to set up a group to develop an archive of important documents relating to the building project. These would include congregational meeting minutes related to the project,

contracts, sale of duplexes documentation. This group should include members from the BOT and IMP Committee. Cathy will participate. It was suggested that Shirley Hines, an incoming BOT member, might participate.

Website Update- Linda C. discussed the contract for the Website redesign with Bob Oyafuso and there will be deliverables before payments are made.

Treasurer Report- Glory indicated that January was a pretty good month. The plate was good. The coffee fund is doing well. Glory reinvested \$249,000 of Capital Campaign funds into a 6-month certificate of deposit.

Stewardship- Cathy reported that Stewardship month was going well. The e-mail blasts have been good. The campaign will end March 9 with cake and other snacks after each service. Response from the congregation seems good but it is too early to know how the pledges are coming in.

Program Council- Janet reported that Program Council has finished up getting budget feedback from groups and has started thinking about the appreciation lunch for leaders. They conducted the second class of the *Serving with Grace* class.

Minister Reports- Rev. Roger and Rev. Lucy

Rev. Roger indicated that he is delighted that he was called and this is a great time in the life of the congregation. Both ministers are busy attending meetings of leadership groups and committees as well as activities of the Stewardship Team, Capital Campaign and the BOT/IMP meetings regarding the building renovation. UUSS will be hosting 50 to 80 junior high youth for the MUUGS retreat on March 14-16. Activities continue to be very busy at UUSS.

Youth Update-Charlotte indicated that the JHYG and the SHYG do not know what is going on at church. It may be worthwhile to discuss how to organize SHYG so that it is more connected with the rest of the church.

Board Business

Let Linda C. know if you have items for the next agenda. Cathy will center and close the March meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cathy George, Secretary, UUSS Board of Trustees