

Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento
Congregational Meeting
October 21, 2018

Draft Minutes

Welcome and call to order

- A quorum being established, the meeting was called to order by President Margaret Wilcox
- Rev. Dr. Roger Jones gave the Invocation.

Approve the May, 2018 Meeting Minutes

- The minutes of the May 20, 2018 Congregational Meeting were approved as offered.

President's Report: Margaret Wilcox

- President Margaret introduced the members of the Board.
- President Margaret informed the Congregation that during the coming year, the Board will be reviewing/creating policies to address issues that could arise. Such issues include but are not limited to: 1) fire drills, 2) active shooter, 3) building security, 4) disruptive behavior.

Treasurer's Report: Victoria Owens

- Victoria reported Year to date actual income of \$126,074 against a budgeted \$114,499. Pie charts presented illustrated the following:
 - Pledge Income was \$16,863 above budget
 - Plate offerings and Other Contributions combined were over budget by \$646
 - Property Use income was \$5,636 below budget. She reported that a new business alliance has been developed that is projected to bring us back above the budgeted amount for rentals.
- She reported Year to Date actual expenses of \$131,160 against a budgeted \$124,202. Pie charts presented illustrated the following:
 - Expenses are \$6,959 above projections.
 - Compensation and benefits were \$2,926 above budget.
 - General & Administrative expenses were over budget by \$4,368 due to a payment of the entire annual commercial insurance premium in July.
 - Overall, our year to date expenses are 106% of budgeted.

➤ Highlights

- Cash flow is not a concern as the operating fund balance is more than sufficient to fund monthly operations.
- Property use is expected to increase to projected levels as a new event coordinator continues to bring in business.
- UUSS is in a solid, positive cash position and it is expected to continue.

Endowment Trust Report: Celia Buckley

- Celia reported that the current Trustees are: Fred Deneke, Linda Killick, Denis Edgren, Rev. Dr. Roger Jones, and John Abbott who is the delegate.
- Assets include:
 - Cash of \$107,896 in a Charles Schwaab account
 - Bequests of \$5,250
 - Outstanding loan to UUSS of \$309K

Unsung Heroes Named: Janet Lopes and John McMillan – Congratulations for all they have done for UUSS.

150th Anniversary: Sandra Navarro

- UUSS was founded in 1868 when Sacramento was not even 20 years old. Sandra gave an overview of all the activities and sermons given so far during this anniversary year, and events coming up.

Ministers' Reports: Dr. Rev. Roger Jones, Rev. Lucy Bunch

- Rev. Roger directed folks to our online resources to read the reports in detail.
- He reported that we have about 420 Members and about 70 Friends. UUSS has developed many different programs, ministries, and social events, and he encouraged folks to look online or at the Blue Sheet provided on Sundays.

Family Ministry: Alecia Sanchez

- Alecia provided an overview of this newly formed ministry and invited the Congregation to attend the evening event on 11/2. The film “Cocoa” will be presented, a film about the Day of the Dead.
- She invited everyone to partake in all the family events that will be occurring each month.

Community Partners Election:

- Several representatives from 16 nominated Community Partner organizations spoke briefly outlining the strengths of each potential partner.
- Voting occurred and ballots were submitted. The ballots will be tallied and the results given to the Congregation in November.
- The following Community Partners were selected using the ranked choice voting process. They are listed by the months in which they will receive half of our contribution basket proceeds.
 - January, Family Promise
 - February, Black Lives Matter
 - March, Children's Receiving Home
 - April, St. John's Program for Real Change
 - May, Sacramento Senior Safe House
 - June, Mercy Peddlers
 - July International Rescue Committee of Northern California
 - August, Opening Doors
 - September, Mustard Seed School
 - October, Wind Youth Services
 - November, Loaves and Fishes
 - December, Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services

Adjourn Meeting

- A motion to adjourn was made by Meg Burnett and seconded by Victoria Owen.
- President Margaret adjourned the meeting at 1:12 p.m.