

**UUSS BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020, 6:30 p.m., via Zoom



**Agenda**

1. Welcome: Sally White 6:55 *In attendance:* Anara Guard, David Harlow, Denis Edgren, Dirk Tuell (for a portion of the meeting) Eric Ross, Hally Cahssai, Rev. Lucy Bunch, Marilyn Reynolds, Rev. Roger Jones, Sally White, Tonie Darling, Victoria Owens
2. Chalice Lighting and Centering: Anara Guard
3. Consent Agenda
  - Approved Sept minutes
4. Treasurer's Report: Victoria Owens [see submitted]
  - Finance Committee meets quarterly now
  - Eric and Susan Davis James now on the Committee.
5. Committee Substantive Issues
  - a. Program Council: Marilyn Reynolds, Liaison. Supportive of 8<sup>th</sup> principle. Looking at developing guidelines for UUSS programs in accordance with strategic plan. Will email all programs to ask how PC can help them state how their activities are in accordance with the strategic plan. Looking at whether all communication about programs is coherent (pathways cards vs. website).
  - b. APMC (Administration and Property Management): Eric Ross, Liaison. Passed on request to submit reimbursements promptly. APMC wants the board to recommend how frequently Safety Committee should meet. Eric moved that it be quarterly; Denis seconded and it passed. Sally will reach out to Denis as well to reconvene the group and have them choose a chair. Bob Oyafuso is interested in re-joining APMC—he should talk to Glory. Patio cover passed County fire inspection, awaiting final County structural inspection. Upcoming start date for security fencing installation by contractor to be ascertained. Other projects are moving ahead. Grasshoppers will start up again in November. Krystal negotiated a smaller dumpster with monthly (instead of weekly) pick-up at 75% less cost until church re-opens.
  - c. Stewardship: David Harlow, Liaison. Committee is inactive until December. Campaign will be virtual this year; Rev Roger sent examples from another UU church to be examined. Celia Buckley and John Abbott will stay on the committee.
  - d. FRST (FundRaising STRategy Committee): Tonie Darling, Liaison. Cathy George was welcomed as the newest member of FRST. New “rocks and leaves” for the Gratitude and Appreciation Tree have been ordered. The “Wish List” List from APMC has been put in the donation book, and a discussion ensued on how to publicize. Mary Howard has agreed to co-chair the Auction, which will be held in late February or early March. The committee suggested the Board adopt a policy as follows: “Generally, it is the policy of

UUSS, that no rooms, spaces or buildings of UUSS will be named after a person, living or dead, with the exception of the currently named “Sophia Fahs classroom” and the “Theodore Abell Library”, because of their historical significance. “ The committee will continue to look at the rest of the policies and try to incorporate all into one cohesive policy for the Board to adopt. Rev. Roger will work on the end of year appeal, which will be sent out in December and sent out through the mail.

e. Nominating: Hally Cahssai, Liaison. No report

6. Minister Reports [sent previously] appreciations expressed

- Rev. Dr. Roger Jones
- Rev. Lucy Bunch

7. Board Business:

- a. Communications Task Force. Dirk Tuell joined to provide an update. Looking at how to make the pipeline streamlined to get information out to the various channels. Save staff time too. Looking at various tools that other UUs use. They plan to create templates to assist with responding via the various channels.
- b. Physical Gathering TF. Discussion of the revised guidelines proposed. Office staff are on board. Agree to strike mentions of meals. Add “current” to guidelines. (TF will meet every time the tier changes.) When the host form is complete, put in mail slot...what if no access to building? How small constitutes a group? Three. This does not apply to staff or to Grasshoppers. Marilyn moved, Tonie seconded to accept the amended guidelines; passed. Executive Committee also discussed possible rentals for the building and does not recommend they be pursued. Although this could generate income, it presents a double standard to the congregation.
- c. Commission on Institutional Change—brief discussion of Theology. For next meeting, read Congregations and Community. Board members are encouraged to attend Racial Justice meetings or read/watch the information online.
- d. Congregational Meeting and Community Partners update. 56 votes so far, including one by mail. It was noted that the budget was passed unanimously via a secret ballot, which is impressive.

8. Next Meetings:

- Executive Board Meeting (via Zoom): Monday, Nov. 9 at 5:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting (via Zoom): Thursday, Nov. 19 ; Victoria Owens to provide chalice lighting and centering—For this meeting and December. **6 pm START** time

9. Closing: Anara Guard

10. Meeting Adjournment 8:25