

UUSS BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Thursday, September 22, 2022, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom and in person

Minutes



7:00 Anara Guard welcomed attendees and lit the chalice. There was a quorum.

- Attending in person: Jed Shapiro, Roger Jones, Marilyn Reynolds, Frances Myers, Lucy Bunch, Anara Guard, Sally Wilkins, Susan Davis-Jones
- Attending on Zoom: Hally Cahssai, Victoria Owens, Debrah Olsen, Meg Gunderson, Karen Gunderson
- Not present - Denis Edgren

July meeting minutes approved as presented.

Lucy introduced Debrah Olsen, the new UUSS Bookkeeper

Guest Presentation - GA Delegates Karen and Meg Gunderson spoke about their experience at the 2022 GA held in Portland, OR. The focus of GA is the review and suggested changes to Article 2 which define the UU Principles. Karen mentioned that the UUSS Strategic Plan has a goal of strengthening our relationship with the UUA, she suggested that the board appoint a liaison to the denomination. She also mentioned that since GA now has more of an online presence that next year it would be good to have more UUSS members attend. Anara mentioned that we will begin choosing the delegates much earlier this year.

Board Business

- Board Table at Activity Fair Recap - Victoria said that many people stopped by the table. Next year we should have written materials and candy.
- Congregational Meeting, Sunday October 23 - Board reviewed the agenda, suggested changes.
- Reviewing Covid Policies - After a robust discussion of the pros and cons of changing the UUSS policy using the CDC, State and Local guidelines the following was suggested:
 - beginning immediately - no longer requiring the greeters to request proof of vaccination or have people sign-in
 - After two Sundays to give people enough notice - drop the requirement of wearing a mask to an option to wear a mask
 - All notices will encourage people to continue with public health safety (masks, vaccinations, distancing, handwashing)
 - It will be suggested that you check with those sitting near you before you remove your mask
 - There will be a special area in the sanctuary for masks only

Board vote - six in favor, one opposed

- The discussion of the Board Goal **Leadership Development** was tabled until October.

Treasurer's Report: Victoria Owens - A written report was sent, of special note the mortgage loan at 5 Star Bank has been paid off. Victoria will announce this at the October Congregational Meeting

Ministers' Reports - Rev. Dr. Roger Jones and Rev. Lucy Bunch - A written report was sent. Lucy added that the church was looking for a new database that would be more user friendly.

Committee Reports - Committee Liaisons provided written or verbal updates. No Board actions were required

- a. Program Council: Marilyn Reynolds
- b. APMC (Administration and Property Management): Susan Davis James
- c. FRST (Fundraising Strategy): Jed Shapiro
- d. Nominating Committee: Hally Cahssai
- e. Racial Justice Committee: Frances Myers
- f. Homeless Resource Task Force/Social Justice Coordinating Council: Frances Myers

Next Meetings - Frances asked if the Board Meetings could start at 6:30 pm. Board agreed.

- a. Executive Board Meeting (via Zoom): Monday October 10, at 5 pm
- b. Board Meeting (via Zoom & in person): Thursday, October 27, 6:30 pm.; Jed to provide chalice lighting and centering

9:00 Meeting Adjournment