

UUSS BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Thursday, May 23rd, 2024, 6:30 p.m., via Zoom and in person
Minutes



Present in person: Roger Jones, Denis Edgren, Sally Wilkins, Susan Davis-James

Present on Zoom: Lisa Dahlquist, Hally Cahssai, Rosemary Dodd, Jed Shapiro

Guests in person: Janet Lopes

6:30 Denis welcomed board members, ministers, and guest.
Rosemary read the opening and lit chalice.
April minutes were approved.

Board Business

1. Congregational Meeting Follow Ups

Denis led the discussion of what worked and what could use improvement.

a. What Worked

- High attendance – a lot of prior publicity
- Roaming Microphone for questions
- Sign-up sheets to determine if we had quorum
 - 109 in person attendees
 - 15 attendees on Zoom
- BOT members sitting in the front

b. What could improve

- On-line voting was not straightforward, could be clearer next time
- Have a pre-meeting with AV staff to go over steps
- AV changes
 - 2-people running slides (one that projects, one that can see on laptop what is coming next)
 - Printed slide available as a guide
- Someone that is present in person to monitor Zoom
- Have a laptop/screen on the pulpit, so speakers don't have to turn around to see what is displayed

2. By-Laws changes discussion (vote in June BOT meeting)

Members had questions and discussed some items:

Section 1.1 "18 months prior to meeting" language

Section 1.2.1 youth members

During Executive Committee meeting earlier in the month, Victoria got her question answered about reporting numbers, names and addresses of members to UUA.

Denis will follow up with the By-laws working group on those items.

3. Solar Update

There is still some work being done with the County on permits.

4. Budget

It was noted that this budget didn't allow for putting aside funds to support our goal to be a teaching congregation.

Treasurer's Report: No report this month.

Ministers' Report - Rev. Roger Jones and Rosemary Dodd

Lucy will be back on 6/6 and will preach on Father's Day.

3-week UU Journey group just finished. There will be another one in the Fall.

Summer RE is kicking off.

A monthly family potluck on Fridays will start up. All are welcome.

Committee Substantive Issues, as needed

- a. Program Council: Susan Davis-James
 - Approved \$150 for Thanksgiving dinner.
 - Two new groups approved: People of Color Caucus and Treble Ensemble
- b. APMC (Administration and Property Management): Denis Edgren
 - Planning to add flowering ground covers near handicapped parking + additional furniture and benches.
- c. FRST (Fundraising Strategy): Jed Shapiro
 - Updating committee mission
 - Working with SJCC to coordinate calendar of events
- d. Nominating Committee: Hally Cahssai, no update this month
- e. Social Justice Coordinating Council: no update this month
- f. Safety Committee: Denis Edgren
 - Discussed charter
 - Will be seeking BOT input on committee members requirements (due to sensitivity of Safety topics)
- g. UUA and PWR: Sally Wilkins

Rosemary Farewell

This was Rosemary's last Board Meeting and members expressed their appreciation, gratitude, admiration, respect and good wishes for our amazing intern's next adventure.

Board Update for Leadership Message published in June: Sally
Closing: Rosemary

8:00 Meeting Adjournment