

UCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 12th, 2016, 6:00-8:00 pm

Present: President Birgitt Paul, Secretary Natalie Vernon, Treasurer Paul Howard, Past President. Members at Large; Mark Vinich, Sara Burlingame, and Hailey Ellingham. Also present: Rev. Audette Fulbright.

Absent: Vice President Lynne Weidel, Past President Chuck Skinner

President Birgitt Paul officially called the meeting to order at 6:10 with a Chalice Lighting and Mindful Check In.

CONSENT AGENDA :

- Music Director's Report
- Director of Lifelong Faith Development Report
- March Board of Director Minutes
- Minister's Report

A request was made to take the Minister's Report off the Consent Agenda for discussion at the next Board Meeting May 10.

Birgitt proposed approval of the remainder of the Consent Agenda, which was approved unanimously.

COUNT and CLOSE: The process and procedures for Count and Close were discussed. It was decided that each person who does Count and Close will have a "Thank You" card for a church member with them and ready to be signed by the Board at the beginning of each Board Meeting. A specific "thank you" is preferred.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATE: Issue: UCC presence at the General Assembly last full week in June in Cleveland, Ohio. The possibility of anyone attending in a virtual manner was discussed, as was financial support for anyone interested in attending. The registration fee is \$350. Birgitt proposed that we approve a budget overage of \$500 to go towards supporting in-person representation of the church at the GA. This amount could go to one person, or be shared by however many people are interested, that are also approved by the Board. This proposal was seconded by Mark, and passed unanimously.

Birgitt proposed that the Board approve Ken Vernon as an attendee. Paul seconded this and it was passed unanimously.

Shelley will put this opportunity in the weekly email until April 30th to give congregants a chance to express their interest.

BUDGET REVIEW FOR FY 2015-2016: We need a small team, not current elected church leaders, to do an informal review of the record keeping for this fiscal year. Shelley can pull the documentation together, and Birgitt will ask Phil Stumph, Camillia El-Entably, and Kathleen Peterson to do this review using a check list that the UUA provides. The desired completion date for this will be the first week of May, 2016.

LIVING GENEROUSLY UPDATE: Mark gave us an update on the UUCC pledge drive. He provided current status and said this number should increase with the last pledges they anticipate coming in next week. Chuck will report this to the Financial team at the April 17th Budget Meeting. Mark will also follow up to understand the discrepancy in the pledges. The concept of a Legacy Circle will be deferred to the next Board Meeting for discussion.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TEAM UPDATE: The candidates for next church year were presented. Birgitt proposed acceptance of the slate as presented. This was seconded by Paul, and voted through with a unanimous vote.

BUDGET SUMMMIT PLANS: Attendees include Vice President Lynne Weidel and the Finance Committee. Also, anyone who is submitting budget requests are welcome, such as Sandy and Jim Gaulke, Camille Furtney, Marcie Smith. Tim Thorson should be invited as well.

THANK YOU GRID UPDATE: Nine congregation members were identified and thank you notes signed. Natalie will inform Birgitt so she can update the grid.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board went into Executive Session at 7:45 to discuss Staff Reviews and an update on time-sensitive Safe Congregation issues. A more complete Safe Congregation update will be provided at the next Board Meeting.

Important Dates:

Budget Summit: April 17

Earth Day Activities: April 23. 12-4pm

Next Board of Directors Meeting: May 10

Annual Meeting May 22nd

New Board Members Welcomed June 14th Board Meeting

Draft respectfully submitted for corrections April 29, 2016, by Natalie Vernon, Board Secretary.