

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF CHEYENNE

BOARD OF DIRECTOR Meeting

August 9, 2016

6:00-8:00 pm

Present: Lynne Weidel; Board President, Garth Shanklin: Vice President, Paul Howard; Treasurer, Natalie Vernon; Board Secretary, Members at Large; Camellia El-Antably, Audri Mata and Hailey Ellingham.

Also Present; Rev. Audette Fulbright.

The meeting was brought to order with a Chalice Lighting and Mindful Check-In.

**Consent Agenda:** The motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Camellia, seconded by Hailey, and approved unanimously. A reminder that the Board needs to approve the notes from the Congregational Meeting as soon as possible is recorded here.

**Teaching Congregation Transition Discussion:** The Board determined that we will discuss Chapter 9 of the Book "Don't Wait for the Pastor to Leave" at next month's Board Meeting. Shelley Reher, Church Administrator, will copy Chapter 9 and provide this to all Board Members well in advance of the next meeting.

As requested, each Board member submitted one or more names of people each felt might be a possibility for the Search Team for our new minister in the Teaching Congregation. The list was generated, and narrowed down slightly, mostly due to people already committed to Church efforts. This large list will be given to the Leadership Development Team to begin to talk to the identified congregants who might be interested and available. The Board then developed a list of characteristics/qualities desired for Search Committee members and stressed that LDT should not choose members of the Board since this practice compromised the Board's effectiveness in the past.

Once formed, the Search Committee will need to be in touch with the UUA and Transitions expert Keith Kron re: how an abbreviated search Committee differs from the usual type.

The Cottage Conversations will be “content coded” as an analysis to summarize what is important to the Congregation. Lynne will do this work and ask for help if needed. This data will aid the Search Committee in developing the Congregational Profile and the new minister parameters. Keith Kron knows the candidate pool, and will pre-vet candidates, saving the committee and church time and effort.

The schedule for involving the Congregation in the Transition work was discussed, and dates set leading up to the Congregational Meeting on September 18<sup>th</sup>, where the team will be announced.

**Fundraising Issues:** The need for a new leader for the Service Auction held as our annual February Fundraiser was discussed. Mike Shonsey who has handled the lead on this for many years is stepping aside, but is most willing to advise and be involved. Various names were brought up and Board Members will follow up asking these candidates to take on this important role.

**Thank You Notes;** A reminder that if a Board member has done Board Announcements since the last Board Meeting, they are responsible for having a Thank You card to a deserving person ready for the Board to sign at the next Board meeting.

**Important Dates:**

**September Board Meeting** will be held September 13<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm.

**Fellowship Potluck:** Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, 12-1pm

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Wall of Wine/Bookcase of Beer;** Saturday Nov. 5

**Family Promise Rotation:** Nov 6<sup>th</sup>-12th

**2017 Service Auction:** February 4<sup>th</sup>

Respectfully submitted for revision on November 7, 2016, by Natalie Vernon, Board Secretary.