

UUCC Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, Feb 13th 2018, 6:00-8:15 pm

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

Also Present; Rev. Hannah Villnave.

Camelia opened the meeting at 6:09 with a Chalice Lighting. There was a reading from Rilke from Rev. Hannah, and a short check in by those present.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Agenda for Current Meeting (February)
- b. Meeting Minutes: January Board Meeting
- c. Staff Reports
- d. Financial Reports, January 2018
- e. Committee Reports

Paul requested that the Financial Report be changed to December, instead of January. Garth moved that we accept the Consent Agenda as amended, Hailey seconded this motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Minister Reports: Along with her written report, Rev Hannah gave highlights from her month since the last Board Meeting. She reported a successful “Plug-In Sunday” wherein congregants came away with a better understanding of COSM and the breadth of activities happening at UUCC.

Rev. Hannah also mentioned the impending Wyoming State Legislative Session, which would require an uptick in public ministry. This presents a challenge for her on how to balance this with her workload at the Church, as the legislature is short and related activities are time sensitive.

She also said that we may need to do another BLUU session as the earlier one occurred during a snowstorm and church attendance was much lower than usual.

ROOF COMMITTEE MOVEMENT

We are thankful that Randy Bruins and Sharon Kelsey are the co-chairs to raise funds to replace the roof. Randy and Sharon are looking into grants for the work that needs to be done as soon as possible. Camellia will send an email to request a second bid for the roof work.

THANK YOU NOTES

During the meeting Lynne wrote a note to Joe Corrigan, and Steve and Camille Furtney for their generosity in making the Service Auction a resounding success.

LIVING GENEROUSLY KICK OFF: Camellia reported on the event scheduled for Sunday March 4th. Logistics and food responsibilities were volunteered for and assigned. The follow up when all packets are due back will be after church on March 18th, to be celebrated with cake.

NEW BUSINESS:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

At the Leadership Offsite, it was determined we needed a group to work on the wording of our Mission Statement. Garth volunteered from the Board, and we will need 1 member of COSM, 1 from LDT, and 2 At Large members.

Camellia and Lynne will go to the Budget Committee Meeting on March 25th. The Budget is due to be finalized for presentation to the Board by April 15th. A special Board meeting or meetings will be required for approval, April 22 and, if needed, the 29th. This, along with the slate of elected officers will be voted on in the full Congregational Meeting on May 20th.

SHARE THE PLATE

This is a sharing of our Sunday collection with another organization. We discussed the process and authority for how these decisions are made. It was determined that we need a committee to propose a policy for our Sunday morning collection recipients. Rev. H will contact Joe Corrigan, COSM, Kathy Jenkins and Beth Howard for a meeting to determine who should be on this committee. The committee will then create a proposal for the Board.

LETTER RE: CHURCH CHILDREN AND DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR

The Board discussed a comprehensive letter addressed to the Board regarding the occasional disruptive and unsafe behavior of some of the church children. Camellia will respond to the senders that we received the letter and discussed it, and they will hear directly from Rev. Hannah to have a chance to air their concerns.

INCLUDING ALL BOARD MEMBERS

Camellia will bring an iPad to meetings so that Board Members who are out of town will be able to participate.

BOARD GOAL REVAMP We held a discussion about how to get congregational input to a revamping of Board of Director Goals. As the Community Conversations were not too popular, maybe try the approach of meeting in the Social Hall at Coffee Hour, with a Board Member at each table leading a discussion about an identified subject. This could happen quarterly with a presentation back to the Congregation bi-annually. The Board could share who does the presentation, develops themes, shares presenting and note taking. Topics could include sharing the plate, Planned Giving, The Roof and related issues, as examples.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE The CC has been having difficulty finding meeting times to get together with Camellia. She has asked the group to convene itself. The Committee consists of Jack Runnels, Susan Lett, Kathleen Peterson, Mac Marino. Audri is also a member and will take over scheduling this.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:35-8:15

Important Dates:

- Feb. 25th: Community Conversation re: Roof Replacement need and Funding
- March 4th: Living Generously Kick Off

Respectfully submitted by email to the Board, and Rev Hannah for review and corrections by Natalie Vernon, Board Secretary, March 6, 2018.