

UUCSC Board Minutes – 10/18/2017 (Approved via email 10/25/17)

Present: Sally Barney, President Linda Whyte Burrell, Clerk Mary Fulton, Rev. David Helfer, Dave Hurdis, Natalie Herbermann, Randi Marten

Absent: Elise Bender, Treasurer Aline Couture, VP Emily Jacobs

Call to Order/ Invocation 6:32

MOTION: Natalie Herbermann moves to ratify the minutes for the September Board Meeting as approved by email. Seconded. Passed unanimously.

MOTION: Natalie Herbermann moves to ratify the minutes of the special Board meeting held on 10/8/17 as approved by email. Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Monthly Reports:

Minister's report: Rev. David Helfer. Printed copy on file with the Board clerk.

Integration of new staff is going well. There is a perceived need to further educate the Board about the concept of shared ministry. The Board clerk will send thank you notes to Virginia Carter and Jeff and Cindy Berry for the generous financial support they recently provided for the office.

Religious Education report: Bethany Vaccaro. Printed copy on file with the Board clerk.

The new DRE is getting acquainted with her job and working well with the RE committee who did such a fine job filling in since June. She has spent time reorganizing the RE space and dived into curriculum planning.

Liaison's reports:

Sally Barney reports that she is working with Sarah Bell, Heidi Kranz and David Damon to plan Day of the Dead activities.

Natalie Herbermann did the thank you to David Floyd on 10/15/17 for his seven years of leadership with Music at Lily Pads.

Dave Hurdis will take on the role of liaison to the Facilities committee.

Old Business:

1. MLP update: Johnnie Rodriguez is planning a musical drama event with Rose Weaver on Nov. 4th. Other events under consideration are concerts and a poetry slam.

2. Evacuation drill: Natalie Herbermann went over the plans for the drill that will be held Oct. 22nd, weather permitting. No alarm will be used for drills until instruction has been received on its proper use. Natalie will give the Board a report after the drill.

3. Hospitality: Linda Whyte Burrell expressed concern that having coffee hour every other week is not welcoming to new visitors. Linda will speak with Hospitality Chair Mike Henry and Liaison Emily Jacobs about suggestions as to how returning to weekly coffee hours might be handled.

New Business:

1. PA system operation: There has been some difficulty setting up the system before services, fixing it during services and putting it away properly after services. Linda Whyte Burrell will speak with Dave Ruede about

establishing an AV team who would be responsible for operating the PA system.

2. **Myron Waldman's fundraising suggestion:** The Board would be interested in more details.
3. **First aid carts:** Sally Barney will work with the Wellness Team to decide what to do with the 2 carts that were purchased last year.
4. **Board meeting time:** The Board will continue to meet at 6:30 with the understanding that, if necessary, meals can be consumed during the meetings.

Other business:

1. **Thanksgiving Soup luncheon:** The 3rd annual luncheon will be held Sunday November 19. Each Board member will contribute a crock-pot of soup that will serve about 15 and cookies. Bread will be solicited again from Panera Bread. A card with ingredients will accompany the food so that congregants with allergies can make safe choices.
2. **25th Anniversary chalice:** If completed on time, the chalice will be used for the first time as part of the New Member service on December 10th.
3. **Board Development:** Rev. David Helfer will purchase copies of a book for the board to study together.

Next meeting 15Nov17 at 6:30.

Adjourned 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Fulton, Clerk