# **UUCSC Board Minutes – 11/19/2018 (Approved via e-mail 11/27/2018)**

**Present:** Elise Bender, President Linda Whyte Burrell, VP Mary Fulton, Rev. DL Helfer, Natalie Herbermann, Kai Migliaccio

**Absent:** Clerk Linda Dupuis, Dave Hurdis, Emily Jacobs, Treasurer Mary Alice Kimball **Call to Order/ Invocation 7:10** 

MOTION: Elise Bender moves to ratify the minutes for the October Board Meeting as approved by email. Seconded. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Not given due to Treasurers absence.

**Staff Reports** The Board expressed appreciation for the emailed reports that indicate a lot of work has been accomplished. It is readily apparent that priorities need to be established, and balanced, so that no one is overworked.

## **Liaison Reports:**

Elise Bender reported that the Communications committee will take over sending out notices from the Regional UUA. They are making some changes to the UUCSC website that should make it more user friendly. Significant changes that require additional funding will be considered by the Board if the Living Legacy campaign is successful in paying down the mortgage so that more income will be available for ministry, programming and building expenses. Betsy Dalton and Karen St, Peter are working together to improve the process for submitting information for publicity via the website, e-news, the newsletter, the order of service and other news outlets such as the newspapers.

#### **Old Business**

- **1. Holiday Fair -** The Board approved the use of the library for storage one week prior to the Holiday Fair on December 1.
- 2. Personnel The Board approved the updates to the Personnel Manual.
- **3. Piano** Money to purchase a new piano will be taken from the music fund that is maintained by the UUCSC Music committee. No expenditure is required from the operating budget or reserves.
- **4. Hospitality -** Aidan Mutschler is organizing coffee hour to fulfill a high school service requirement. He would especially welcome help with cleanup and food donations.
- **5. Fire Drill** The drill went better than last year and took only 3 minutes. It is the beginning of a greater awareness of safety issues. Natalie Herbermann will direct the drill again next year. It was determined that the ending for the drill should be more definitive.
- **6. Thanksgiving Soup Luncheon -** The timing was difficult for some Board members. It was suggested that the date be moved to a less hectic time such as the winter or early spring. Perhaps a "thank you" meal could be coordinated with the Stewardship campaign as part of an annual tradition of gratitude.
- 7. Faithify tabled due to Treasurer's absence.
- 8. Picture molding update Guy Latour will install the molding as soon as he is able.
- **9. Chair Chart** Elise Bender is working on this with her daughter.

**10.** Ease into changes - People have appropriately expressed their concerns to Rev. DL. but Board members have heard few comments about the issue of changes. At this time Rev. DL told the Board about a new endeavor that will begin at UUCSC on December 17. Thundermist is working with Rev. DL to provide a drop-in meeting place on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month from 6:00-7:30 pm for LGBTQ youth in South County. Youth Pride supports this project. Snacks and guided play activities will be provided. This project is expected to start slow and build.

### **New Business**

- **1. Cookies for 12/23 -** Linda Whyte Burrell will ask the congregation to bring cookies to share after the Christmas Eve Eve service.
- **2. Computer back up** Karen St. Peter now has 2 back up hard drives. One saves automatically. One should be stored off site.
- 3. Expense procedures Tabled due to treasurer's absence

#### Other Business

**1. Building use request -** Linda Whyte Burrell will forward a request from the Johnnycake Center to Karen St, Peter.

The next Board meeting will probably be December 12. Mary Fulton will email all other Board members to determine if this is a good alternative since several Board members are unable to attend at the regular meeting time.

The next Coordinating Council meeting is January 9, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Oneto Community Room.

Adjourned 8:45. Respectfully submitted, Mary Fulton, VP