Minutes of the UUCSC Board Meeting August 21, 2019 (approved via e-mail 8/28/2019)

Present: President Natalie Herbermann, Vice-President Mary Fulton, Treasurer Mary Alice Kimball, Clerk Linda Dupuis, Nancy Dean, Rosemary Galiani, Dave Hurdis, Bill Rodriguez

Absent: Rev. DL Helfer, Kai Migliaccio Call to Order/ Invocation: 6:05PM

MOTION: Mary Fulton moves to ratify the minutes for the 7/17/2019 Board Meeting as approved by email. Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Alice Kimball. Printed copies are on file with the Board clerk.

- 1. \$100,000 has been paid to Washington Trust bank to pay down the mortgage.
- 2. An accountant is paid \$150 hour for a yearly review of UUCSC financial statements to be provided to the bank. Mary Alice Kimball is looking for alternative accounting services that will be less expensive.
- 3. UUCSC financial records need to be audited; we need to anticipate this expense.

Liaison Reports:

- 1. Facilities: Dave Hurdis reported:
- >Heating system: committee members met with a heating contractor.
- >Facility Committee members will be trained to monitor the heating system weekly.
- >The windows in the minister's and office administrator's offices have rot in the wood frames. Local contractors will be contacted for estimates.

Facility Committee report is on file with the Board Clerk.

2. Social justice: Mary Alice Kimball reported on the amounts that have been collected by share the plate Sundays for various organizations.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Fundraising: ideas for fundraising were discussed.
 - > ideas should not involve money coming from the congregation.
 - >Scrap metal collection was rejected as not practical.
 - >B and B: Rosemary Galiani will register us with the UUA B and B directory.
 - >Cleaning services: Mary Alice Kimball reported that our present cleaning services are costing around \$5200 per year (433/month). Mary Alice has a list of services that they provide. We would need someone to coordinate volunteers from the congregation to do the cleaning.
 - >Faithify and grants: Mary Fulton has written a sample proposal that could be used to apply for grants. Board members discussed the procedure for setting up Faithify and where donations would come from. Grant possibilities were discussed. Mary Fulton and Mary Alice Kimball will work on this and write a proposal.
 - >Linda Dupuis suggested an art auction; UUCSC has many artists who might donate pieces to be auctioned with the proceeds going to UUCSC.
 - >The Board will discuss these ideas at more depth at the retreat in September.

- 2. Retreat updates
 - >Chairpersons are needed for several committees.
 - >Liaison positions will be finalized at the retreat.
 - >Natalie will send out an agenda.
 - >Food and parking for the retreat were discussed.
- 3. The safe congregation committee will give a presentation at the September Board meeting.

New Business:

Extra condo fee: repairs, maintenance and striping of the parking lot are needed. The condo association is asking for an extra \$987.50 from UUCSC to pay for this. Board approval is needed. Facilities is offering to take \$500 out of their budget towards this payment. A member of the congregation has generously offered to donate the balance. Copy of the "Report from Lily Pads Condo Rep. Chris DePaola 7-24-19" is filed with the Board clerk.

MOTION: Natalie Herbermann moves to approve the unbudgeted extra condo payment of \$987.50 to cover the cost of the parking lot sealcoating, repair and striping. We will cover this unbudgeted expense with \$500 to come from facilities committee budget, and the balance from an anonymous donor.

Board discussion took place.

Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Other Business:

Mary Alice Kimball will send out committee budgets for the new fiscal year to the appropriate chairpersons.

Board retreat: Sept 7, 2019 9AM-3PM at the home of Natalie Herbermann

227 High St., Wakefield 401-932-6335

Coordinating council: Sept 11 at 7PM in the Oneto Community Room

The next Board meeting: September 18, 2019, 6-8PM in the Oneto Community Room.

Adjourned: 8:05PM

Respectfully submitted, Linda Dupuis, Clerk