

President's Report 2019-2020

When our former President, Linda Whyte Burrell, handed me the keys to the UUCSC, I was a bit nervous. However, I knew that with the support of our amazing UUCSC staff under the leadership of Rev DL, and with the guidance of our Board of Directors, we could meet the challenges that lay ahead. As you will see from the committee work in this Annual Report, the UUCSC is a congregation that rises to the occasion and works through problems. 2019-2020 has been a challenging year but our congregation is strong will continue to offer a welcoming home for personal and spiritual growth. Even though so much of our congregational life has changed we will continue to meet the needs of our community.

The Board of Directors has met monthly to oversee the work of the congregation and listen to the concerns of our members, friends and the larger community. Our Clerk, Linda Dupuis takes detailed notes at our meetings. Those meeting notes are available on the UUCSC website. Mary Fulton met bimonthly with the Coordinating Council to synchronize our committees and programs. This is helpful in prioritizing the agenda of the Board of Directors. I would like to thank Mary and Linda for doing this work that requires organization and attention to detail. Our Directors- Kai Migliaccio, Bill Rodriguez, Rosemary Galiani, Dave Hurdis and Nancy Dean keep in touch with committee chairs to update the BOD about their work. The amount of work being done by all of the UUCSC committees is incredible. Please take time to read the reports of all that has been accomplished during this turbulent year.

The BOD worked on several important initiatives to support the work of the congregation. We worked closely with our Treasurer, Mary Alice Kimball and the Finance Committee on balancing our budget and planning for the future. This is difficult but necessary work. I am grateful to all who contributed in these efforts. This is a very generous congregation and all your contributions are used wisely.

It has been a pleasure working with the talented and hard-working staff at UUCSC. This was especially evident when the Covid-19 crisis struck. During this crisis Rev DL and Michael Galib provided us with inspiring worship and supportive pastoral care. We are grateful to Karen St. Peter for helping us adjust to all the changes since March. We wish Bethany Vaccaro well in her future endeavors and thank her for all her work with the children of UUCSC. We welcome our new DRE, Lee Cowan!

I don't know what the future will look like but I do know that if we continue to work together like we did this year, our future will be bright.

Thank You,

Natalie Herbermann
UUCSC President