

UUCF Board of Directors Meeting
11/15/2022

Members Present: Sarah Whittenberg, Karin Bell, Debbie Reback, Lorne Caddick, Rebecca Deuel-Gallegos, Katrina Enriquez, Thomas Contreras, Bruce Johnson, Rose London

Absent: none

Minister: Jason Cook

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order

Occurred at 7:10pm

Agenda Item #2: Acknowledgment of Native Land and Chalice Lighting

Rev. Jason lit the chalice and did a reading from Kathleen McTeague. Then we were invited to take a moment of silence to think of what we are grateful for.

Agenda Item #3: Approval of October 2022 Board Minutes

Debbie made a motion to approve minutes; Thomas seconded, no discussion or dissent, motion passed.

Agenda Item #4: Approval of November 2022 Agenda

Rose made a motion to accept the agenda, Karin seconded, no discussion or dissent, motion passed.

Agenda Item #5: Admission of reports to the record

With the exception of an RE report, all relevant reports received and accepted.

Agenda Item #6: VP's Report

Katrina reported that a Program Council meeting was held on November 2. The next one will be scheduled for the Spring.

Agenda Item #7: Treasurer's Report

Bruce reported that year-to-date income exceeds budget and year-to-date expenses are lower than expenditures.

Agenda Item #8: Trustee Report - Engagement

Rev. Jason reported that a meeting of recent and historic volunteers was held on November 12 to kick off the restarting of the Engagement Ministry. Patrick Mannion has expressed an interest in a leadership role, but there is still much work to be done.

Agenda Item #9: Trustee Report - Caring and Social

Update on Jan Lillibridge and a reminder that Wendy Karn will be stepping down as Social Chair so there is a need to recruit a strong volunteer to replace her.

Agenda Item #10: Trustee Report - Rose's Rainbow (Worship)

Rose reported that after the new year she will be working on getting some traction with the UU Players. Rev. Jason indicated that Chance Vernon is interested in a leadership role in bringing a reproductive justice play to the congregation.

Agenda Item #11: Trustee Report - Service

Lorne reported that the Social Action committee has been discussing ways to raise money. One idea was to have a button on the website which allows for donations to be directed to a targeted cause, such as Reproductive Justice. Another idea was to offer a "house party" that people would donate to attend. After discussion, it was decided that the targeted button option was not appropriate at this time and that more information was needed about how and when the house party would be run and what the specific goal would be. It was also noted that alternatives to the annual service auction are being considered, including the house party concept.

Lorne also said that SA feels that Share-the-Plate is not providing much revenue because of the reduced in-service presence, but Bruce reported that because many of the donations are done on-line, this is not an accurate perception.

Agenda Item #12: Trustee Report - Youth and Family Programming

Rebecca reported that the in-service kids food collection will begin this Sunday (November 20). Jason noted that if committees want to restart activities that were in place before the pandemic that they should go ahead, that board approval is not necessary. He encouraged us as Board liaisons to pass this on to our respective committees.

There are two applicants for the interim RE Coordinator position, and the next step is to schedule interviews. Sarah and Rebecca will talk off-line about next steps for forming the permanent RE Director search committee.

Rebecca said that sharing the recent deBenneville Family Camp weekend with the Long Beach congregation made her think that we should make opportunities to schedule other joint events with neighboring congregations. Sarah reported that the OWL committee is considering inviting other congregations to participate in the upcoming program.

Agenda Item #13: Comments, Clarifications, Proposals, New Business

- Karin reported that on her way to the RE classroom last Sunday, she was stopped by the pastor of CASA who wanted her to pass on to the church leaders that she wants the door to the courtyard area closed and locked by 11:30am to prevent unwanted visitors. There was agreement that security was an issue, but locking the door would prevent parents from being able to go to their children so Rev. Jason will make security and logistics a discussion item for the next monthly meeting with Rev. Mandye of First Christian.
- Sarah reminded us that the December Board Meeting is usually an in-person holiday party but it was agreed that there is much going on so we will instead have a

business-as-usual, zoom meeting on December 13. Sarah offered her home for a New Year's Day get together.

- We were encouraged to sign up for Sunday tasks. Rebecca brought up that because of the after church activities, the person who is responsible for Lock Up usually has to wait quite a long time after service to do so. Jason indicated that Social Hour coordination is being resurrected, and so this task will eventually be passed on to that committee rather than stay a Board task. The collection of Joys and Sorrows (and Concerns) will also probably be absorbed at some point by others.

Agenda Item #14: Adjournment

Sarah adjourned the meeting at 8:27pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Karin Bell