

UUCF Board of Directors Meeting
10/11/2022

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 7:05pm

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

Rev. Jason shared that a historic event took place on Sunday: a one-acre property in Altadena was transferred to the Tongva people.

With the chalice lighting, we were invited to take some breaths and feel what nourishes us.

Agenda Item #3: Approval of September 2022 Board Minutes

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

Agenda Item #4: Approval of October 2022 Agenda

Rebecca made a motion to accept the agenda, Katrina 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

During the September Board Retreat, configuration of UUCF committees was revamped with the goal of balancing all the committees more appropriately. Katrina created and submitted the changes that were agreed upon during the Retreat to the Board for review. This working document is included as part of this month's UUCF Board Meeting package; file name "Committees 2022-2023". The orange highlights are vacant positions and the yellow are positions that are soon to be vacated or need to be confirmed.

There was a discussion of membership and naming.

Highlights include:

Thomas made a motion to create an 8th Principle standing committee, Katrina seconded, unanimous Board approval.

Katrina made a motion to create a Health and Safety committee, Rose seconded, unanimous Board approval.

Noted for the record the following umbrella and committee names have been changed:

- Personnel to Employment
- Sunshine to Caring
- Growth to Engagement
- RE to Youth and Family Programming
- Memorial to Family Milestones

The above is an incomplete list of name changes. Other committees have been shuffled under different umbrellas. (See *Committees 2022-2023* document). This reorganization is part of the Board's 2022/23 goal to fully populate all the committees by December 31, 2022.

Agenda Item #7: Treasurer's Report

Bruce reported that the Planned Giving and Endowment committee met last Sunday. They have a goal of promoting and educating the congregation about the committee to hopefully increase donations.

Bruce also reported that the Investment Committee's third quarter loss was about 5.5% and they elected not to change investments at this time. The Planned Giving and Endowment Committee reports about the same.

UUCF's bookkeeper Jennifer Abt is resigning but has offered work through a transitional period. Thus we need to hire a new bookkeeper.

Agenda Item #8: Trustee Report - Engagement

Rev. Jason is holding a meeting on Saturday November 12 of recent and historic volunteers with the goal of restarting the Engagement Ministry, which essentially dissolved during the pandemic.

Agenda Item #9: Trustee Report - Caring and Social

Nothing to report.

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

Rose will be reaching out to Fran Dobley to encourage her to be the head of the Family Milestones Committee and to David Diiorio about the Music Committee.

Agenda Item #11: Trustee Report - Service

Lorne reported that Social Action is concentrating on UU the Vote, and hundreds of letters in support of this have been mailed out. After the election, priorities will be reproductive justice including a possible theatrical play.

Social action, in conjunction with children's RE, would like to resurrect the in-service kids food collection for Pathways of Hope.

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

Rebecca reported that there has been discussion of how to implement the above-mentioned in-service kids food collection, including the logistics of the collection and distribution, and whether there will be monthly themes as there has been in the past.

The RE committee's immediate priority is to fill the interim RE Director and nursery positions, and to stabilize the weekly staffing situation. Then the focus will be on forming a search committee to hire a permanent DRE. Other priorities are OWL and Coming of Age.

On October 30th, after service, there will be a Trunk or Treat event at the church. Volunteers are needed!

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

- Katrina reported that there will be a Program Council meeting to gather all committee members on November 2 from 7-8:30pm via Zoom.
- It was suggested and agreed that our next Board meeting be changed from November 8 (Election Day) to November 15.

Agenda Item #14: Adjournment

Sarah adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Karin Bell