

MINUTES

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church Board of Directors

June 19, 2007

7:30 p.m.-10:05 p.m.

Meeting called by Claudia Harris, President

Attendees: Dennis Lower, Vice President; Sherry Walker, Secretary; David Seale, Treasurer; and Members at Large: Pat Knotts, Rick Carlisle, and Chester Kelley; Ex-officio members Susan Caldwell, DRE.

Absent: Franklin Adams, Member at Large and Lyn Oglesby, Minister

Guests: Guests Bob Jordan and Steve Caldwell

Please bring: Board Covenant to recite, Reports

7:38 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.

Lighting of the Chalice/Reading of our Covenant

All present

7:40 p.m. –7:42 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Chester to accept the May Minutes with one correction, seconded by David, motion passed unopposed.

7:42 p.m. – 7:43 p.m.

BPOD

Check your calendars

7/1 **Chester** 7/8 **Rick** 7/15 **Sherry** 7/22 **Dennis**
7/29 **David**

7:43 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Finance

David Seale

Pledge Committee had their first meeting. Clay Walker is the Chairman. Some brief goals will be to minimize mention of the minimum donation, adding speakers and a Luncheon on October 21st with the guest speaker. David will talk to Pledge Committee on the minimum donation issue to insure they are following the by laws. Negotiations are underway to attempt to settle the UUA loan payment. We have been denied total forgiveness of the loan. We also have collected 47% of Pledges thus far.

8:00 p.m. – 8:40 p.m.

Old Business

Bob Jordan was present to report his investigations with the community on hosting a Gay Pride event at the church. He had positive responses from the various people he talked to specifically Adrienne Critcher from PACE who was especially enthusiastic to participate. Bob would not like to be chair of this event, but would like to play an active part in it. **Dennis moved to pick a tentative date for the event and have frequent feedback to the board, to ensure progress with the planning and to make sure we have active co-sponsoring organizations; seconded by Rick, motion passed unopposed.**

8:40 p.m. – 8:49 p.m. Denominational Affairs

Pat Knotts

Report distributed; David Seale is attending the Dwight Brown Leadership School; there was some mention about the UUA Principles and our participation in the information gathering for the UUA Commission on Appraisal. This issue is tabled for now.

8:55 p.m. – 9:07 p.m. Minister's Report/Personnel

Lyn Oglesby

Report distributed; Lyn recommends we appoint a new liaison to handle the negotiations with the UUA regarding our loan. Claudia will talk to the Finance Committee about who that person should be and report back next meeting. Attendance Reports were distributed. Attendance is down and this will be a priority at the Board Retreat. Lyn also distributed evaluation forms via email, also distributed at the meeting. Board members are to have this completed by next board meeting.

9:08 p.m. – 9:13 p.m. Communications/Growth

Rick Carlisle

He is compiling a Resource List for contacts of the media for committee heads to use when planning an event. This month's Communication Award goes to Claudia Harris for her article in this month's newsletter.

9:13 p.m. – 9:16 p.m. Building and Grounds

Chester Kelley

1) Will be taking out the social hall gutters to see what it looks like to avoid having to clean them and avoid further water damage to the roof. 2) Electrical is still a work in progress. 3) Doors and locks has not been followed up but not critical.

9:16 p.m. – 9:20 p.m. New Business

Dennis Lower brought up the idea of having another special New Business meeting in the month after a service to keep meetings streamlined.

Dennis moved to constitute a monthly standing New Business meeting the fourth Sunday immediately following the service, also it needs to be communicated in the newsletter; New Business will still be on the Agenda but will be considered at the end of the meeting and guests will be informed as to the time to attend the meeting with their new business; seconded by David motion passed with one opposed. Next meeting will be July 22nd after the service.

9:20 p.m. – 9:39 p.m. DRE Report

Susan Caldwell

Requesting shorter hours this summer for the office staff; **Chester moved to authorize the request of a decrease in hours to staggered hours where one person comes in from 10am-2pm and another comes in from 12pm-4pm in order to keep the same office hours; seconded by Dennis, motion passed unopposed.** Susan will need volunteers to house host the Youth Advisor Training attendees going on here in early August for two nights. It will possibly be 40 people total. Also looking at reasonably priced background checks for RE teachers. She will check on Church Mutual's requirements for liability of sexual misconduct as well. She distributed a copy of her Safety Policy.

9:39 p.m. – 9:46 p.m. Council Reports

Dennis Lower

Volunteer of the month goes to Suzanne Wilson. The Board Retreat was reviewed with the Council. B&G is reviewing the fire alarm issue. Membership reports 12 new members. Need a Pastoral Care and Fundraising Chair.

9:46 p.m. – 9:57 p.m. Old Business

Board Retreat is June 29th and 30th. Dennis and Sherry have worked on a tentative agenda which was distributed. Food will be provided on Friday evening and just drinks on Saturday, so attendees need to bring their own lunch on Saturday.

9:57 p.m. – 10:04 p.m. New Business

Reminding everyone to reserve emails to information only not for opinions or threading thoughts which are hard to track.

10:05 Adjourn

Next meeting is July 17th.
