## **UU BOARD MINUTES JANUARY 16, 2007**

Meeting began 7:35 p.m. Present were Claudia Harris, President; Sherry Walker, Secretary; Kathy Osuch, Treasurer; Members at Large: Chester Kelley, Susan Bettinger, Pat Knotts and Robin Harris. Also present was Ex-officio members Lyn Oglesby, Minister.

The Minutes from December 19, 2006 were discussed.

Chester moved to accept the December 19, 2006 minutes, Pat seconded. This motion then passed unopposed.

Kathy moved to accept the minutes from Congregational Meeting on December 17, 2006, seconded by Chester. This motion passed unopposed.

#### **BPOD**

\*Kathy Osuch is taking 1/21/2007 instead of Chester

Chester Kelley 2/4/07, Pat Knotts and Claudia Harris with Robin shadowing on 2/11/07, Sherry Walker 2/18/07, Kathy Osuch 2/25/07

Claudia introduced Robin Harris as our new Member at Large. Welcome to Robin.

## Finance Report: Kathy Osuch

Balance Sheet, Report and Statement distributed. We have received 93 % of what was pledged for 2006. This is a good percentage. In 2007, we have had \$112,149.00 pledged from 75 pledge units. We had 103 units in 2006 which 6 have moved or passed. At the end of December letters went out to ask for the minimum amount paid by a member or membership will be dropped by February 3, 2007. We haven't had any negative feedback from these letters. Kathy would like the church to have a landscape committee; she will look into anyone who is interested.

Chester made a resolution to form a Landscape Committee for the purpose of establishing a long term plan for landscaping of the church and finding the resources necessary to carry the plan out. This should be a Council level position. Seconded by Kathy. Resolution passed unopposed.

# Personnel Report: Craig Maclean absent

Report was emailed. Lyn reported the Office Assistant has been detained in starting the job, and has not been reached for her intentions of keeping the position. Lyn will wait to hear back from her and then move on to hiring someone else. She will be in contact with Craig on this matter.

# Minister's Report: Lyn Oglesby

Report distributed. Membership is up. We have about 20 people at the Stepping Stones level. She and Scott will be launching a membership drive. She recommends we have a Board Member who is designated as Liaison for Growth, to support Scott Lowe in his efforts. We will have a pulpit exchange with the minister at St. James United Methodist Church. Lyn distributed several newsletters from other UU Churches for Board members to look over and get some ideas for the church.

## DRE Report: Susan Caldwell absent

Report distributed. Attendance is down at the Middle and High School levels. She has some vacancies for RE teachers in the next pillar.

## Volunteer Coordinator Report: Susan Bettinger

Susan has organized her list of "What You Are Willing to Do for Your Church". Her results are in the office. We will need more office volunteers for the coming weeks, she will look into that.

## Communications Report: Robin Harris

Newly appointed. She had several questions about the position.

## **Building and Grounds Report: Chester Kelley**

All bills are paid for the lights in the parking lot, the capping off of the light and entryway. He says lights have been left on the sky light at night. Board agreed to let them burn out and not replace these lights, since it is hard to tell when they are on or off.

## Council Report: Claudia Harris filling in; Office vacant

Michael from Buildings and Grounds will get with Lyn on a maintenance schedule to follow. It was suggested that the upcoming Arts Festival which is planned for three days needs to be shortened. It was also suggested the date was a bad time because it is Mother's Day weekend. Kathy Osuch will talk to her about these changes.

#### Old Business:

Chester volunteered to take the Vice President position and run the Council meetings. We now have four members at large which is in compliance with the By Laws.

#### New Business:

The date for the next meeting will be changed to Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup> because of the Mardi Gras holiday. Next meeting will be a goal setting meeting. Claudia asked each Board member to bring two goals in their area.

## Motion to adjourn by Chester, seconded by Susan B.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 pm.

# **Sherry Walker**

**Board Secretary**