

UUCNH Board Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2017

Attendance

Robyn Travers, Ivan Baumwell, Susie Wood, Dawn Lindsay, Ellen Saksen, Don Nelson, Jan Hoeter, Rev. Don Rollins

Consent Agenda

October minutes approved (DN moved, ES seconded)

Liaison Reports approved (SW moved, DL seconded); comments below

- Robyn will talk to Mark about wifi, Mark also looking at improving wifi generally, particularly re Bellwood (**Action Item**)

Action Items from 10/17

- Solar Panels (DN) – DN sent email on 11/14 detailing his research on the solar panel proposal
- Board Covenant (ES) – ES completed editorial changes to Board Covenant; Board members agreed to changes

DLFD Search Team Update (DL)

- Story of Us sessions complete, data being reviewed by the team. Draft job description being developed based on the data

Governance Task Force Update (SW)

- GTF would like to meet with Board to help us develop our vision of the future through end statements. If we are fully who we say we are, what would that look like? Who we are as individuals, in community and in world. Susie will take this to Committee of Chairs
- Unity Church in St Paul, MN has a good model of end statements on their website (<http://www.unityunitarian.org/mission-and-ends.html> and <http://www.unityunitarian.org/ends-data-collection-form.html>)
- **Next Action:** SW will set a date for Board to Meet with GTF. Board prefers 12/16, if not then 12/2.

Solar Panel Discussion

- SW/RT summarized presentation from last month
- Discussion on pros and cons of moving forward with proposal
- **Action items:**
 - JH will review scope of work and obtain other bids
 - IB will discuss questions from the Board with the presenter
- Board will vote at January meeting – whether we are moving forward, and what is our policy on business relationships with members/friends of congregation

Report on Ministry Council

- DR reported on Ministry Council in his Board report

Buildings and Grounds

- Mouse problem has spread to Bellwood office. As noted in Liaison reports, UUCNH signed one-year contract with an exterminator for a year
- SW, RT, Lindsay and Ron met to evaluate items that need to be done

- B&G Chair email was created to streamline requests. RT and SW will monitor emails. This is a temporary solution until we hire a steward or find another B&G chair.

8th Principle

- IB reviewed how the proposed 8th Principle came to be
- Discussion on 8th Principle and white supremacy
- Motion to table the vote on the 8th Principle to allow GA input/process to happen. Noted, we will avail ourselves of resources on white supremacy to educate ourselves and work through this issue within the congregation (RT moved, IB seconded)

New Business:

Safety Committee

- Safety committee is regrouping, Board will re-engage in January

Secretary for next time: ES

Action Items:

- Robyn will discuss wifi with Mark
- SW will set a date for Board/GTF Task Force Meeting (update: Meeting is 12/16 9AM-12PM)
- JH will review solar panel scope of work and obtain other bids
- IB will discuss questions from the Board with the solar panel presenter