

Minutes of Green Sanctuary Meeting on January 29, 2017

Attendance excel file attached.

Susie led us in a reading followed by brief introductions.

Green Sanctuary will be the name of the team.

Susie Wood will contact the UUA to get our liaison set up.

John Ballance will contact **Ginger Hill** to learn about their experience.

Assessments

land (church property) will be taken on by the **Tree hUggers**

building – **Rebecca Hovermale** will start with energy/solar assessment
both Rebecca and **Sue Broughton** have connections with organizations that can do this

Carolyn Hrach, Gordon Higgins, Dori Depp and Ken Doyno will have a lot of information from the major building projects

Lowell Swarts will know the history from the founders.

partnerships – **Carol Ballance** will talk to Robyn Travers about convening Committee of Chairs to work through this portion

individuals – **Mike Vasseur** will develop a survey for the entire congregation, he will bring a draft to the February 26 meeting

Earth Day Service (April 23)

Julie Kant taking the lead on this

NO Order of Service – save on paper! (annual cost is ~\$3500!)

Practical suggestions –small steps families/households/individuals can make

possibly include walk on trail after service, or have kids go on it during service

Tip of the Week

for order of service, later in e-news, build up to Earth Day service

please send your tips to **Connie Hester** at conniemhester@yahoo.com

Topics for future discussion

team members are interested in Green Burial, tiny houses, living off the grid, becoming a recycling center

need a list of community resources – Franklin Park collects batteries and cardboard (building is just down the road from UUCNH) Where can we post these?

topics could be Adult Faith Development classes and/or Sunday Services

Trail

there is a short trail near lower parking lot to hunger garden, Bellwood tends to maintain it

Aodhan Ridenour offered to contact his former Scout troop – they are often looking for projects – clean up, make signs, build a bench...

do teachers and Jenn Halperin know about the trail?

Environmental Justice

UUCNH must engage with the larger community

UUCNH already does

highway cleanup (Rachael Smart)

erosion prevention at North Park –Tree hUggers

Clean Rivers Campaign – aka “the great sewer fix” PIIN and Tassi Bisers

potential to do something with NORTH

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Next meeting is February 26 at 9:00 a.m. in the East Room (meetings generally will be at 9:00 a.m. on the fourth Sunday of the month.)