

UUCM Board Meeting

September 9, 2018

Attending: Robin Zucker, Dave Anderson, John Stewart, Carlin Almes, Bob Ackerman, Marty Thaeler.

Additionally: Deb Lehman, Joyce Klasen, Charlotte Reedy, Barb Newcamp

ELC

Deb Lehman, Joyce Klasen and Charlotte Reedy attended the board meeting so we could work point by point through their lease. We discovered we don't all have the latest copy, but since Deb revised as we worked through it, she will make sure we each receive the final version. ELC does not need the kitchen from 4-5 PM, change that to 7 AM to 1 PM. Gross motor skills in the dining room will be from 10:30 to 11 AM; AA doesn't meet until 11:30. ELC would like 2 parking spaces, but that isn't possible at this time. (Board has previously discussed tightening up the parking spaces.) Non-ELC persons accessing their learning space is disruptive, and such visits need to be better coordinated with their schedule (which they will provide to Jodi). UUCM is to be listed on the ELC renter's insurance certificate. Under Repairs, add the phrase "in areas used exclusively by the tenant" after the second sentence. The contact person for repairs is Jodi Sipos, then Bob Ackerman (VP). In executive session the Board discussed the rent, which was finalized at \$950/month, and that was acceptable to ELC. Bob Ackerman will sign the lease for the church.

Search Committee

Deb Lehman reported the vote results for search committee members, tabulated from the recent questionnaire sent to all members. Corinne Chafey, Leigh Lynes and Deb Lehman received the most votes and all three are willing to serve. The Board needs to select two additional people. After discussion we decided to ask Joe McHugh and Mark Ames if they are willing to serve.

Roof

The roof is complete and we are waiting for final inspection before making the last payment.

Worship

Robin Zucker reported that the fall is well organized – adult RE, worship services, etc. The worship committee meets once a month; Robin will recruit new committee members if and as needed.

Pledge Drive and Stewardship

Peggy Bell has asked Dan and Karen Mason to host a sustainer's kickoff on October 6, 7-9 PM. The gourmet breakfast on October 21 (9 AM) will mark the end of the drive. Deb Lehman and Michelle Baker are helping Peggy with the drive.

Peggy feels (and all agreed) that the church's policies and procedures need to be reviewed and revised; this has been mentioned at previous meetings. Details of who and when were tabled at this time. We also discussed the B&B and how it seems to have grown beyond its original intent (often 8-10 pages, as large as the Oracle). Robin agreed to work with Jodi in pruning it.

Outreach

Carlin Almes will be helping with the pledge breakfast. There will be a Thanksgiving potluck on November 18, and Leigh Lynes has agreed to help with it.

Finance

John Stewart reviewed with us the report which he emailed to Board members. The current cash balance is adequate. The endowment is \$347,591.86 as of 9/8/18. 68% of the pledges have been received as of the end of August. John reported the custodian is paid for 15 hours a week, and more than that negatively affects his other benefits. We were hoping he could help with snow removal this winter, but that may not be possible.

John Stewart moved and Peggy Bell seconded that: We remove Deborah Lehman, former Board President, as a signatory on the church's Northwest Bank checking account ending in -0422; and add Robert Ackerman, Vice-President, as a signatory. John Stewart, as Treasurer, will continue as a signatory. The motion passed unanimously. In addition, Deborah Lehman's debit card for account ending in -6654 will be cancelled.

Child Care

Currently we do not have a person for child care during church services. Christine is searching for someone to fill that position.

Youth Cafe

Approximately 3 more weeks of work need to be completed before the center can open.

Mission

Dan Hunter has resigned from the Board and we need someone to fill his term which runs until the end of 2019. Dave will ask Barb Newcamp if she would serve; another possibility is Christine Cooper.

Meetings

The annual congregational meeting is December 9. After much discussion, the next Board meeting is scheduled for September 30. Marty Thaeler was asked to provide an agenda of sorts, hopefully prior to the meeting. One item to be discussed will be a slate of officers for 2019. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Marty Thaeler