

Board Meeting - April 20, 2022

Our mission: To be a compassionate, welcoming community that nurtures spiritual growth and practices justice.

Meeting Minutes

Board: Ann Hutton, President; Kim Reid, Vice President; Greg Turosak, Secretary; Rob Harveland, Treasurer; Dave Siljenberg, Joe Lobl, Molly Dingel, Brianna Berg and Walt Rothwell, Members at Large; Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer, ex officio.

Absent: Greg Turosak, Secretary; Rob Harveland, Treasurer

- **1. Call to order.** Ann called the meeting to order.
- 2. Chalice Lighting & Reflection. Ann reflected on the theme of Awakening and lit the chalice.
- **3. Motion to approve agenda and previous meeting minutes.** Walt moved, and Molly seconded, approving the agenda and previous meeting minutes. Approved.
- **4. Financial reports.** Ann directed everyone's attention to the summary note from Connie. Pledges continue above projection and our surplus is \$48,770.
- 5. Minister's report.

Old business

- **1. Presentation by Harlan Limpert on medical aid in dying.** Harlan discussed his efforts to get all the Minnesota UU congregations to support the Minnesota End-of-Life Option Act (SF1352/HF1358). It is nearly identical to the 25 year old Oregon law. The board will act on this at the May meeting after Harlan presents at the May 4 UU forum.
- **2. Re-Gathering update.** Luke discussed the next phase of re-opening. The main changes would be relaxing things for small groups and making masks encouraged but optional. The earliest these changes could be implemented is May 8. There was some discussion about holding off on these changes until the summer schedule starts.
- **3. Pledge Team update.** Joe reported that 231 pledges, 82% of anticipated, have been turned in. This amounts to \$494,406 or 94% of budget.
- **4. Building our future.** Walt reported that our slot for the Heritage Preservation Commission will be May 24. Locus was here. They looked at the property that has been offered for donation. They are going to study 3 options for achieving our goals. 1) Renovate our existing building. 2) Demolish our existing building and reuse the land. 3) Build a new building on a new site. Locus is expected to report back in 3 to 4 weeks.
- 5. **Minister Evaluation Survey.** A first draft of the survey was discussed and some changes were recommended. When finished this survey will go to the Staff, Board, Shared Ministry Teams and Shared ministry Governance Team.

New business

6. **Proposed 2022-2023 Election Slate.** The slate of candidates for the Board and Nominating Committee are:

Board of Directors:

Kim Reid, President Paul Trewartha, Vice President Kim Edson, Secretary Rob Harveland, Treasurer Jodie Edmonson, at-large John Tacinelli, at-large

[In addition, Molly Dingle, Brianna Berg, and Walt Rothwell will continue serving.]

Nominating Committee:

Paula Horner Julie Larson Keller

[Jerry Katzmann, Angie Joyce, Heather Hanson, and Gus Braga will continue serving.]

7. Election Logistics. The Annual Meeting will be June 12. Ann summarized the current plan for voting. It will occur online in the weeks before the meeting and in person at the meeting. The early online voting will cease well before June 12 to allow a list of early voters to be compiled. This list will be used at the Annual Meeting to prevent possible repeat voting.

Other / Announcements

8. **None.**

Next meeting: Via Zoom, Wednesday, May 18, 6:45 p.m. check-in and 7:00 p.m. meeting.

Reflection theme: Nurturing Beauty – Ann & Kim

Respectfully submitted, Dave Siljenberg