

UUFVB Board of Trustees Minutes
August 9, 2018

Call to Order: at 4:02 pm by board President Cate Wenzing. The chalice was lit and Suzy Bromwell gave the **Opening Words** inspired by a quote from Hellen Keller.

Members Present: Pres. Cate Wenzing, Paul Amaru, Sec. Suzy Bromwell, Sue Burt, Tom Tierney, Rev. Scott Alexander (ex officio), and by phone Kathy Cossa, Terry Domino, and VP John Maher. **Absent:** Treas. Rebecca Hornbuckle.

Process Observer: Paul Amaru volunteered.

Consent Agenda: A **motion** made by Paul and seconded by Sue, was approved unanimously on all four items on the Consent Agenda. They were: (1) the Minutes of July 16, 2018, (2) the Lay Pastoral Care Team Mission Statement, (3) the Statement of Change of the Registered Agent for UUFVB with the Florida Division of Corporations (replacing former Treas. Bill Mathrani with current Treas. Rebecca Hornbuckle, for a \$35.00 fee), (4) and to replace Bill Mathrani as Quickbooks Administrator with Rebecca Hornbuckle.

Treasurer's Report: In Rebecca's absence, her report was submitted. FY 2017-18 showed a loss of \$46,186. Her August report is attached.

Minister's Report: Rev. Alexander presented a request from the family of late UUFVB member Joe Harian to include memorials for UUFVB members and friends on a plaque near the Memorial Garden, including those whose ashes are not scattered in the garden, for a fee of \$250. Suzy made the **motion**, Sue seconded it, and the motion passed. The updated policy is attached.

Scott wishes to formalize UUFVB's relationship with Affiliate Ministers who are members of the Fellowship. A ceremony to recognize our Affiliate Ministers will be held in January 2019. Tom made the **motion** to adopt the new Affiliate Minister Policy. It was seconded by Paul and approved. The policy is attached.

Scott presented the Sunday School curricula developed by Kelly Stephens, Dir. of Youth & Families, for children and teens, and he expressed support for Kelly's plans for upcoming events. Activities include Stroller Strong (exercise for moms and babies), Teen Nights (with pizza and games) and Family Nights (with dinner and activities for members and friends of all ages).

Scott expressed positive feedback with the Music Program and praised Dir. Of Music Paula Herger and Choir Director Elizabeth Borne. He mentioned that the Gifford Youth Orchestra is scheduled for Sunday, September 9th.

President's Report: None.

Board & Committee Reports:

1. Facilities: no report received
2. Endowment: will meet in the fall
3. Ministries: held no meetings in June or July
4. Bridges: met 8/9/18, the report is forthcoming
5. Finance: meets 8/24/18

Old Business:

1. Website Update: Cate and Joe Hardy are working to update Board information and Youth & Family curricula and activities.
2. A Social Activities Coordinator is needed to organize potluck dinners and help Kelly with Family Nights. Sue and Scott volunteered to find a person or small team of volunteers to fill this position.
3. To obtain a list for writing UUFVB thank you notes, Terry will regularly check with Administrator Katrina Bradshaw-Pascale and Bookkeeper April Newhaus.

New Business:

1. John Maher volunteered to chair the Bylaws Committee.
2. Cate will appoint board members to serve as liaisons for the standing committees.
3. Scott will work with John Maher to secure a Stewardship Campaign Chair/Chairs.
4. Paul expressed the need for a Notary in the UUFVB office and wondered if Katrina would be interested.

Process Observer's Report: Although the meeting was productive, Paul thought too much time was spent on some items and cautioned us to stay on the agenda.

Meeting Adjourned: at 5:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzy Bromwell, Secretary

Reminders:

1. September Executive Committee Meeting—Monday, Sept. 10th, 11:00 am
2. September Board Meeting—Thursday, Sept. 20th, 4:00 pm
3. September's Opening Words—Kathy Cossa