

**UUFVB Board of Trustees Minutes  
July 16, 2020**

**Call to Order:** at 4:30 PM by Board President Kathy Cossa. The meeting was held via Zoom. The chalice was lit and everyone present checked in.

**Members Present:** Pres. Kathy Cossa, V.P. Woody Sutton, Sec. Cate Wenzing, Treas. Rebecca Hornbuckle, Coco Burt, Barbara Dunst, Jonnie Mae Perry, Tom Tierney and Ken Klein. Rev. Scott Alexander was not available.

**Consent Agenda:** The minutes of the Board's June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting were accepted as presented.

**Treasurer's Report:**

1. Rebecca stated the financials are still being worked on due to the end of the fiscal year.

**President's Report:**

Kathy reported on the Executive meeting last Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup> where we discussed the emergency closing of Bridges by the Bridges committee without consulting the Board. Brenda told the Bridges Committee that she wanted to close because she observed 3 parents of students of Bridges ELC socializing without masks and without observing social distancing over a July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend. She wanted to close the school on July 10<sup>th</sup> to prevent students from bringing in the virus during the possible incubation period. She met with the Bridges Committee on the 6<sup>th</sup> who unilaterally agreed with her. The Bridges Committee informed the BOT by email Dated July 6, 2020 that the school would close July 10 and reopen August 10, 2020.

Later on Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> we met over Zoom with Fred Poston, the chair of the Committee, Brenda Neely and Jehsica. Just after the meeting started Fred Poston gave his resignation as chair. Brenda said the staff of Bridges does not wear masks because they need to sing with the children. The exec. Board voted to allow Bridges to close since many of the staff and parents had already been informed of the closing.

**Old Business:**

1. Kelly requested more information about committees for the website. Cate will talk to Kim and see what info she has.
2. Kathy reported that Elizabeth Borne is leaving at the end of July as music director and Phil will be required to work with the choir. Phil does not seem to understand how to do this, so Scott and Barbara Dunst will work with him to see how this can be accomplished.
3. The choir is having issues with masks over their microphones. We will consider face shields.
4. Issues with Bridges continue to wear out the committee members and chairs. Woody will join the committee as the board liaison. We need to figure out how to better supervise the businesses we run. More communication about the organizational structure and boundaries of committees was suggested.

**New Business: none**

**Board Committee Reports:** The Emerson Center, Endowment Fund, did not meet in the past month. The Facilities, Finance and Ministries Committees and Bridges report were emailed to Board members.

**Process Observer:** Tom Tierney observed that Cate shaking her head during the discussion was intimidating.

**Meeting Adjourned:** at 6:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cate Wenzing, Secretary