

Minutes of BOD Meeting of TCUUC: April 12, 2016, 1:30 PM

1. The meeting was called to order by new Board President Susan Hemmer.

New Board Members were welcomed and outgoing Board members were thanked for their service.

In attendance:

Susan Hemmer – new President
Bill Falk – new Vice President and outgoing President
Dixie Gray – new Treasurer and outgoing Treasurer
Ray Burdett – new Secretary
Lin Olson – new Member at Large
Fred Dembowski – new Member at Large
Linda Irvin – new Member at Large
Bob MacDonald – minister
Betty O'Brien – outgoing Member at Large
Marcy Pitkin – outgoing Secretary
David Gray - outgoing Member at Large

2. Previous Meeting Minutes: Marcy Pitkin
 - Minutes were not available for review. They will be resent to the Board and approved at a later meeting.
3. Minister's Report: Bob MacDonald
 - Bob stated that he intends to continue as minister until the search for the new minister is completed.
 - The Worship Committee is responsible for obtaining a monthly guest speaker. Bob will check at the next Worship Committee meeting on April 24th concerning guest speakers.
4. Minister Search Report:
 - Bruce and Barney are co-chairing
 - There are two viable candidates at this time
 - The Ministerial Search Committee is responsible for searching for candidates, but the Board will negotiate the contract of the new minister
 - The anticipated start date for a new minister is September 1, 2016
5. Treasurer's Report: Dixie Gray
 - Over \$100,000 in pledges have been received, including a recent addition of \$5000 to an existing pledge
 - The final treasurer's report for the fiscal year will be complete in May, when the change to a new bank has been completed
 - There has been a change in accounting, utilizing the services of Kate King, which is expected to increase the ease and efficiency of this service
6. Building Report: David Gray
 - The pad for the new addition should be poured on Friday, April 15, and then the walls will be constructed.
 - There was a correction in the design of the Narthex, changing a window in the rear to a double door to allow for an exit

- A 16ft slab will be poured from that exit to allow for access to the restrooms of the existing building. Some additional pavers will be needed to complete the connection.
- David is the only authorized liaison concerning the new building to the construction company and the donors of the money for the building
- The Donors are in control regarding details of the building until it is in possession of TCUUC.

7. Think Big

- A new website is under construction
- Fred Dembowski is the point person for disseminating publicity
- Fred Dembowski is our representative to the Chamber of Commerce
- To bring more attention to our congregation, David Gray moved that we, as a congregation, support the nomination of Susan Frederick-Gray as a candidate for the Presidency of the UUA. The support of 20 congregations is needed to nominate a candidate. The Board was in favor of doing this.

8. Membership:

- It was emphasized that, even though we have a Membership Committee, every member of the congregation is an unofficial member of this committee and is responsible for recruitment of new members
- A process for reaching out to new attendees at our services is needed

9. Messages/Banners

- A process for placement of banners, signs, or any public expression of a message, such as a newspaper article, that reputed to represent the views of the TCUUC is needed. The following process was discussed:
 - i. Committees have autonomy in determining their agendas, but any message that they want to display representing the Congregation must be submitted to and approved by the BOD
 - ii. The BOD will review any requests at their monthly meeting and approval will be granted on a month to month basis.
 - iii. Any banner or sign must meet the standards of the applicable ordinance of the City of Stuart (Ray, with the help of David, will get a copy of the applicable ordinance)
- A congregational meeting will be held after the service on May 1st to get the views of the congregation and present this process.

10. Board vs. Committee responsibilities

- The BOD is in the process of learning how to work with the various committees

11. New Business

- Dixie is going to General Assembly
 - i. Requested tuition support of \$350
 - ii. Offered to share her room if another is going to General Assembly
- Ray Burdett will be the BOD liaison with the Social Responsibility Committee

12. Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM. Next Board meeting will be Tuesday, May 3, at 1:00 PM.

Submitted by Ray Burdett, Secretary