

Congregational Conversation Meeting

Minutes

September 2, 2007

<>Chaired by Sharon Alexander

BOT Members: Kate Throop, Denis Edgren, Judy Morrison, Carol Byers, Barbara Hopkins, John Abbott

Others: Stan Whiteside, Joan Dilley, Joyce Miller, Dave McMorris, Pat Naylor, Tiffany Urness, Chuck O'Neil, Linda Hoganson, Joan Rubenson, Doug Kraft, Connie Grant

Topic: Building Ground Use Draft

Main questions:

If an outside organization asks to make a presentation, does the BGU allow it?

The BGU document allows a presentation but only in collaboration, if agreeable, with a UUSS committee's program and its members. Referral to the Program Council or the appropriate committee may be necessary.

If an outside organization asks for help in co-sponsoring a program at UUSS, does the BGU allow it?

Again, the if a UUSS committee or the UUSS in general, has an ongoing interest in a topic brought to its attention by an outside group interested in cosponsorship, the BGU allows "collaboration" as described in the guidelines.

<>The Social Responsibility, Forum and Alliance committees are the ones most likely to consider acceptance of a proposed program offered by an outside organization.

Chuck reminded us that two people gathered in conversation do not constitute a committee. Sharon replied that his comment stresses the need to adhere to procedures agreed on, and suggested this issue be address to establish clarity in the various committees.

Kate announced that Sections I & II of the Building Use Policy draft will be adopted by the Board at its next meeting (September 27th). Section III Covenant of Responsible Stewardship will be on the agenda to be voted on during the upcoming October Congregation Meeting

<><>Sharon thanked the developers of the draft for their effort and time spent in producing a workable document - Nancy Lust, Joan Rubenson, Tiffany Urness, David McMorris and Doug Kraft.