

Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento
Draft - Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Board members present: John Abbott, Virginia Dunstan, Denis Edgren, Steve Hoverman, John McMillan, Judith Morrison, David Paul, Terry Preston, Kate Throop, Tina Stidman, Celine Walker

Board members absent: All present

Staff members present: Doug Kraft, Connie Grant, David McMorris

Guests present: Daniel Edgren, Michele Ebler and Shannon Ebler

I. Agenda Review: The items “Cong Conversations guidelines proposal” and “Report from PC liaisons” were postponed and an item “Correspondence” was added under Organizational matters.

II. Consent Agenda: Passed without changes.

III. Ministerial Matters:

Connie Grant, Minister for Education, reported that Chalice Camp has been scheduled for July 16-20. The affinity groups planned to begin in April will be called “Exploration Circles”. The Coming of Age Group is planning several events as fundraisers for the Boston trip: a talent show March 24 and a “Bean-go” on May 19. Fundraising and a donation have raised \$1400 so far. Connie has just concluded four sessions for parents on answering children’s questions.

Doug Kraft, Sr. Minister, reported that Sunday service attendance has been high in January and February. A periodic review of his Letter of Agreement is in process. A written summary of how he and Connie spend their time was submitted for our information.

V. Organizational/Relationship Matters:

- a. Kate Throop reported that interviews for the Music Director will take place next weekend.
- b. With regard to the Betty Ch’maj Fund Kate will attend the Program Council meeting to go over the proposal and make suggested changes. It will be considered a trial period to try it out with changes made as needed.
- c. A new calendar was distributed to change June meetings because of General Assembly and to change the time of the May and June Executive Committee meetings—they will begin at 6:00 p.m.
- d. Confidentiality forms were distributed and board members signed and returned the forms.

- e. John McMillan and John Abbott will work on revisions to the UUSS constitution that will be presented for consideration at the May congregational meeting.
- f. Kate described correspondence received regarding the Leadership Reception for donors. A copy of the reply sent by the Stewardship co-chairs and Kate is available from Kate upon request.
- g. Opportunities for delegates to the PCD Assembly at Foster City in April and General Assembly, Portland, OR, June 20-24th are available. The program council is offering financial assistance. Delegates for General Assembly must be certified by UUSS to get credentials for voting.

VI. Operational Matters:

Dave McMorris, Business Administrator, reported on progress using a new version of Powerchurch. He complimented office staff member, Michele, for finding errors in the system. Dave reported on current donations and improvements planned with the funds. Monies have been donated for the R.E. classrooms and Kate, Connie and Doug will develop a procedure for gathering suggestions for how the funds might be used. Refer a Chef is still having difficulties opening their new site and will be here at least until the end of February.

Denis Edgren, Treasurer, reported that there was an unexpected surplus for the month of January despite an extra payroll. Pledges and plate collection in January were \$10,000 more than expected. The Finance committee met twice in February to work on the budget. Denis presented the draft of the budget prepared. It will be discussed in detail at a March 3rd board meeting.

VII. Recap-Parking Lot

- a. Revisions to Constitution, John McMillan and John Abbott
- b. Congregational Conversations guidelines, Kate Throop
- c. Report from Program Council liaisons
- d. Budget--board

Dates to remember:

March 3, Board meeting to discuss budget

March 4, Congregational Conversation – Judy Morrison and John Abbott

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Dunstan, Secretary, UUSS Board of Trustees

