

UUCA Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

23 Edwin Place

6:30 p.m. June 7, 2016

Present: Incoming Board—Kay Aler-Maida, Michelle Gregory, Kate Hartnett, Bruce Larson, Diane Martin, Wendy Seligmann, Dale Wachowiak, Mark Ward (ex officio). Outgoing members—John Bates, Martha Kiger, Carol Shultheis.

Opening: Wendy

Election of Officers: Upon the motion of outgoing Clerk, Carol Shultheis, the Board voted unanimously to elect the following Board officers for 2016-2017: Kay Aler-Maida, President; Kate Hartnett, Vice-President; Dale Wachowiak, Clerk.

Policy Governance Presentation: John explained the respective roles of the Board vis-à-vis the Executive under the policy governance system. He referred members to a number of resources, including the UUCA Articles of Confederation, the Bylaws of the congregation, and the Governance Document. He addressed Board members' "fiduciary responsibilities" including a Duty to Care, a Duty of Loyalty, and a Duty of Obedience.

Consent Agenda:

Minutes of the May 3 Board meeting were approved.

Lead Minister's report: Mark addressed personnel changes and their impact on office operations and future personnel morale.

Financial report: It was explained that, due to exigencies, financial reports to the Board will be less frequent and without the user-friendly summary component.

Joy Christi Przeworski Sponsorship: Joy, a long-time member of the congregation who is currently in ministerial training, has asked for UUCA sponsorship to advance to the next step in her training. The Board voted unanimously to approve the **motion** to sponsor. Kay signed the required letter.

GA delegates: The Board approved the following list of delegates to the UUA General Assembly: Joy Christi Przeworski, Tom Blanford, Clark Olson, Jennifer Gorman, Mary Alm, Linda Topp, and Mara Sprain.

Ends Reporting: There was discussion of prioritizing the Ends Statements and Executive Limitations that are to be reported to the Board.

Black Lives Matter: The implications for passage of the Black Lives Matter Resolution were discussed. Tom suggested inviting members of the Anti-Racism Group (ARG) to a future meeting. Mark agreed to explore how possible BLM activities (including signage) might dovetail or collide with our Ends Statements. Tom will ask other congregations at UUA how they are acting upon their resolutions.

Annual Plan: The Board brainstormed content and process for meetings this coming year. Among ideas generated were: More time devoted to future visioning and strategic planning, discussion of a UUCA business plan, resurrection of the Ministerial Review Committee, revisiting the process of congregational listening groups, Board members as designated liaisons to committees and groups, and expressions of gratitude to contributing congregants.

Other Business: The International Refugee Committee from Brevard will be meeting here. Tom will be meeting with them. This may become an ongoing practice.

Executive Session

Closing: Wendy

Minutes submitted by Dale Wachowiak, Clerk