UUCA Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

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March 6, 2018

Present: Nora Carpenter, Michele Gregory, Judy Harper, Bruce Larson, Diane Martin, James Schall, Dale Wachowiak, Mark Ward (ex officio), Mariah Wright.

Chalice Lighting and Opening: Judy

What's Happening: Mark highlighted aspects of his monthly report. He is feeling hopeful about the outcome of the Annual Budget Drive. A good number of giving units seem to be increasing their pledges. While the drive leading up to Celebration Sunday was spirited and rewarding thanks to the work of Gina and Dan Pharis and their ABD crew, a similar percentage of the membership as in past years has yet to make their commitment.

The Search Committee for a Faith Development Minister is hoping to have good news to report soon.

Around 80 people attended the Sanctuary training workshop led by Paul Davis of the Greensboro Congregational UUC. Paul had good advice for prospective volunteers. He also recommended to the leadership that background checks be done on all prospective volunteers. A volunteer database is being compiled.

Estimates are coming in to the team headed up by Bob Roepnack on the new roof for Sandburg Hall. It will cost somewhere between $66,000 and $85,000, depending on whether asbestos is found.

<u>Motion</u>: At Mark's request, a motion was made to pay for the roof project out of the Contingency Fund. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Bruce will be meeting with Bob about the status of the plan to also install a PhotoVoltaic system on the roof.

Mark reported on a break-in at his office and the adjacent office. While a TV was taken from the RE space, it would not make sense to file an insurance claim for loss and damages.

Legacy Circle leaders are doing a bang-up job. We are way ahead of other congregations in obtaining bequests.

The cost of subsidizing aspects of the Wednesday Thing is becoming clear. This is a concern that will need to be addressed in next year's budget.

Executive Limitation E, Asset Protection: Mark asked if there were any questions about his asset protection report. There were none. He reviewed the Financial Position Statement and pointed out that Christine Magnarella Ray continues to do our accounting as a contract worker in Colorado, and that arrangement is working out well. He pointed the Board to the current insurance policy that he had posted online for the Board to review, if they so wished.

Leadership Development: The Leadership Development Committee will be meeting to assemble a list of candidates for 2018-2019. Bruce indicated his preference not to be considered for Board President but to continue as a Board member to complete his term.

Delegates for General Assembly: UUA General Assembly is the last week of June in Kansas City. UUCA should have about ten delegates. The Board should put out an announcement for members interested in attending.

Board Budget Line: Bruce asked for input on the to-be-requested amount in the 2018-2019 budget to meet the Board's needs. Bruce advocated for the Board reconnecting with the Policy Governance document next year. This could involve bringing in a consultant. Another emphasis for next year could be facilitating congregational connections by developing an online directory of organizations, activities, leaders, and resources. The Board decided to leave our budget request at $2000.

Consent Agenda: The minutes of the March 6, 2018 meeting were moved and approved.

Closing: Judy

Executive Session

Minutes submitted by Dale Wachowiak, Clerk