

UUCA Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

23 Edwin Place

6:30 November 1, 2016

Present: Board members Kay Aler-Maida, Michelle Gregory, Kate Hartnett, Bruce Larson, Diane Martin, Wendy Seligmann, Dale Wachowiak, Mark Ward (ex officio). Incoming Board member James Schall.

Chalice Lighting and Opening: Dale

Experience of the Holy Discussion: Kay reported that post-session evaluation forms from our first workshop were generally quite positive. However, there were still some participants that felt they didn't understand the purpose of the exercise. The group brainstormed the elements of an "elevator speech" the Board observers could deliver to better explain how the information gained would be used.

Dale and Diane presented their observations from the first group process.

We discussed logistics of the Coming of Age session, now moved to the Jewish Community Center, to be followed by the COA Souper Sunday back in Sandburg Hall.

The date and time of Final Discernment were set for January 7, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Ministerial Review: The Board reviewed and approved the proposed ministerial review plan as outlined in the document titled "Ministerial Annual Review Process." The first step in this process is for the Lead Minister and the Associate Minister to draft their first set of biennial goals and deliver them to the Board at the December, 2016 meeting.

Board Resignation: The Board accepted, with regrets, Tom Blanford's resignation, effective at the end of this date's meeting.

Appointment: The Board appointed, with pleasure, James Schall to the Board of Trustees, effective at the end of this date's meeting.

Limitation: Mark presented a report and data relevant to Limitation C: Financial Conditions and Activities.

What's Happening Now: Mark submitted and reviewed elements of his monthly report.

Minister's Sabbatical: In the above report, Mark formally requested that he be granted sabbatical leave in Spring 2017 from April 17 through June 18. This request was unanimously approved.

Minutes: The minutes for the Board meeting of October 4, 2016 were approved.

Parking Lot Items: The sad shape of the Board bulletin board in Sandburg Hall was discussed. Diane agreed to take responsibility for resurrecting it.

Board's Web Page: It was requested that current head shots of Board members be submitted to Linda Topp, as well as to Diane for the bulletin board, by November 8.

The Governance document, particularly as it relates to the Board, needs a fresh review and update. Bruce agreed to take a look at it.

Closing: Dale

Executive Session

Minutes submitted by Dale Wachowiak, Clerk