

**East Shore Unitarian Universalist Church
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 21, 2017**

Present: Dan Bond, Kristine Burkwood, Halcyon Domanski, Kathleen Huntley, Dick Hurwitz, Pam Leininger, Rev. Denis Paul, Nancy Tozer, Eric Waldman

Absent: Bill Butler

Guest: Shirley Hairston

Secretary's Report: There were four corrections to the minutes of the April meeting. Dick made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Tiffany seconded the motion. The motion passed with 9 ayes and one abstention.

Reports:

Chair Report : attached: The new Board of Trustees for 2017-2018 will be installed as part of the June 11 Sunday Service.

Minister's Report: attached

DRE Report: attached

Membership Report: attached

Treasurer's Report: attached. There have been a lot of expenses in the last month. The books are balanced but we are running close.

Finance Report: Shirley Hairston, our Finance Committee Chair is in attendance at this meeting to present the 2017-2018 budget which is on our agenda as a new business item.

Committee On Ministry: The minister's evaluation has been completed.

Unfinished Business and Action Plan

Two items on the Action Plan will be moved to the June meeting. Two membership removal requests need to be obtained. Minutes from the April 2 special membership meeting will be on next month's agenda.

New Business:

1. One question before the board concerns the continuation of grocery card sales.

Nancy made a motion the East Shore will discontinue the sale of Heinen's and Giant Eagle grocery cards. Eric seconded the motion.

Discussion: Since the cards were a line item in our budget we tried to finish the fiscal year but the cash flow problems presented by the purchase of the cards made this difficult. The volunteers of this project are willing to let it go and can be used effectively elsewhere. The financial gain of this project is very small.

After discussion a vote was taken and the motion passed.

2. At 2:15 p.m. Dan made a motion that the meeting will go into executive session. Dick seconded the motion. The motion passed

At 3:00 p.m. Dick made a motion that the meeting will move out of executive session. Dan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. The budget for the fiscal year 2017-2018 was presented by our Finance Committee Chair, Shirley Hairston. At this time our pledge drive has received pledges of \$187,300.00 and that is the number being used to prepare the budget. The board considered the budget item by item and made several changes mostly in the area of staff wages. A balanced budget was achieved which will be presented at the Annual Membership Meeting on June 4.

Eric made a motion to accept the 2017-2018 budget to present to the congregation on June 4.

Tiffany seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Welcome and Gratitude schedule for June:

June 4 Halcyon Domanski

June 11 Nancy Tozer

June 18 Eric Waldman

June 25 Pam Leininger

**Bill Butler will be asked to monitor the June 11 meeting.
The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 by board chair Nancy Tozer.**

