

East Shore Unitarian Universalist Church Board Meeting

February 4, 2018

In attendance: Kristine Burkwood, Dan Bond, Scott Wise, Bob Ross, Laura Solomon, Nancy Tozer, Halcyon Domanski, Kathleen Huntley, Rev. Denis, Patrick McGovern

Scott Wise is monitor.

No agenda was available, due to absence of the Board Chair. Bob Ross took over the meeting and accepted requests for topics to be added to the agenda.

Reports

Secretary's report: Report received. Accepted the January minutes as presented.

Membership report: Corrected membership count is 160, not 161 as previously reported. Bob noted that there seems to be an influx of new people. There were 9 new people in the "New to UU" class last week, reported Denis.

Nancy moved to remove Amy Bennett, Bob Horton, Linda Lekson and Clara Maurus from the roll. Motion passed, unopposed.

No Chair report, due to Tiffany's absence.

Minister's Report: Report received.

DRE Report: Bob Ross noted that we will have an OWL class next year. We are reaching out to the Society of Cleveland Heights, since they have a very small contingent, to ask them if they want to join ours. Halcyon is starting to update the RE section of the website. Halcyon has also begun to do some preliminary research on how much it would cost for materials to paint every room in the RE wing. She figures it will be around \$3,000.

Kristine and Halcyon have been going over Halcyon's contract and may be settling on "Director of Faith Development" as her new title. Not finalized yet.

Treasurer's Report: \$90.50 still not assigned from loose offering in June. Nancy moved that this money be sent to St. Andrew's Church in support of their housing a sanctuary family. Kathleen seconded. Motion carried.

There was a plumbing emergency on February 2nd. For the installation of the new meter, the main water valve had to be shut off. The valve had likely not been touched in 19 years. The technician could close the valve, but not re-open it. A plumber was called and the valve was replaced at a cost of \$601.00. Now, those valves will be tested once per month, to insure this problem doesn't recur. The question came up if this is a something from the building fund (capital expense), or an operating expense. After discussion, Dan will take it out of the building fund.

Financial Secretary Report: All looks fine. Dan Bond provided copies.

Stewardship Report: Nancy and Kathleen are kicking off the stewardship campaign on March 4. They want direction from the Board, for the "magic figure" they should be aiming for, and why. They have

started some listening sessions, via email and also did one today after church. That process will go for another couple of weeks. At the end of this process, Nancy wants to come back to the Board, via email, present the information and request a figure and a rationale for pledge figures.

Committee on Ministry: Workshop planned on “Finding Your Muse” for Feb. 11th had to be canceled, due to recent deaths in the congregation. Rev. Denis was not able to put it together in time to promote it.

Unfinished Business—none

New Business

Bylaw Review—Nancy noted that, while the Board has reviewed the changes, the membership has not. The three major changes involve 1) Term limits 2) Notification of membership termination via mail or email, and the change of the Bond of Union.

Bylaws committee will be directed to batch the issues into categories, to make discussion with the board and membership easier. The next meeting the Board will vote on by-laws.

Notification of Capital payments: Last month, the Board voted to notify members that their second year Building Fund pledge payment is due. However, notices have not been sent. Bob will communicate with Shirley Hairston, who is chair of the Finance Committee. Pledges are due by June 3, 2018.

Emails: Laura will send out an official distribution list of emails. Please use **ONLY** this list in the future, to prevent further issues with not all Board members receiving reports.

Dan Bond made a motion to go into executive session for real estate matters. Seconded by Scott Wise.

Motion made to end executive session. Motion carried.

Scott will our monitor for the next meeting.