

East Shore Unitarian Universalist Church

Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting

September 8, 2013

The regular meeting of the East Shore Unitarian Universalist Church Board of Trustees was called to order at 12:06 P.M. on September 8, 2013, at East Shore, the Board Chair presiding and the Secretary being present.

Present: Dick Hurwitz, Jason McCann, Dan Bond, Pat McGovern, Dan Waite, Kristine Bowers, Mary Bender, Kaaren Biggin, Rochelle Luckwitz, Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner, Halcyon Domanski.

Absent: none.

Guests: none.

Pat McGovern opened the meeting with a reading for centering.

Secretary's Report:

A motion was made by Mary Bender to accept the minutes of the August 11, 2013 meeting as amended. *The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.*

Action Plan:

All action plan items (attached) were completed with the following notes:

Buckeye Charity Poker dates will be March 19 (Wed.), 20, 21 and 22, 2014 and will have a "March Madness" theme. Jason McCann will continue to facilitate the event.

Reports:

A – Chair:

All chair items are covered in other agenda items.

B – Minister:

Report attached.

The Minister and the Worship Arts Committee are investigating incorporating lay readers into the service rather than having the Board Members do readings all the time.

C – Religious Education

Report attached.

D – Membership Committee

Not in attendance. Membership still stands at 197.

E – Treasurer’s Report

Report attached.

F – Financial Secretary’s Report

Report attached.

G – Finance Committee

There will be a special Finance Committee meeting at 6PM on October 2, 2013 regarding current and potential fundraising ideas that all members are encouraged to attend.

The Special Collections discrepancy dating to 2008 is being investigated and will be discussed at the next Finance Committee meeting. Results and recommendations will be presented to the Board when the investigation is complete.

A motion was made by Dan Bond to leave the June offering split with Big Brothers and Big Sisters; have 3 Sundays in October have the offering for the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee and one Sunday for the UUA’s Join the Move Campaign; and have the November offering for “Guest at our Table” (UUSC). The motion was seconded and approved.

The finance committee is still discussing door security options with Sievers Security.

H – Stewardship Committee

Report deferred to next meeting.

I – Transition Team

Report deferred to next meeting.

New Business

1 – Financial Review

The Financial Review Committee will be contacted and advised to proceed with their financial review of Fiscal Year 2012-2013 as soon as possible.

2 – Annual Meeting Date

In accordance with the Church Bylaws and scheduling needs, it was suggested that June 1, 2014 would be the best date for the Annual Meeting next year.

A motion was made by Dan Bond to have the East Shore Unitarian Universalist Church Annual Meeting on June 1, 2014. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

3 – Church Parking Lot Sealcoating and Restriping

Discussion of an estimate in excess of \$3000 to sealcoat and restripe the parking lot resulted in a focus on simply restriping the parking lot, for which an estimate of \$625 had also been received.

A motion was made by Mary Bender that the church proceed with restriping the parking lot in the early spring, no later than April, in line with the \$625 estimate received. The motion was seconded and passed.

4 – Keeping Congregation Posted on Minister Situation and Budget

There will be an October 20, 2013 congregational meeting after church for the Board to update the congregation on the ministerial search process.

In keeping with greater transparency and communication, going forward the Board will generate a set of “highlights” of board meetings within a week of the meeting for the congregation. These highlights will be presented during announcements the following week; be put up on the website; and be published in following issue of The Beacon.

5 – Reminder of Membership Requirements in Bylaws Change

Chairman Dick Hurwitz will send out a letter, reminding members that an annual financial contribution of record is required for continued membership in the church, to all members.

Unfinished Business

1 – Smart Church Workshops

The second Smart Church Workshop will take place on September 14, 2013 at East Shore. Food has been arranged for the event.

2 – Open Committee Chairs

Stewardship, Auction, The Beacon, and Social Justice remain as Committee Chairs that need to be filled. Some prospective nominees will be approached before the next meeting.

3 – Buckeye Charity Poker

In addition to what was described in the action plan: Jason McCann, who will coordinate this event, will start the process of identifying the volunteers that will be needed. We will also need to identify the “special events” that we want to select during days we will be sponsoring.

4 – Minister Search

Dick Hurwitz will further discuss the idea of a Developmental Part-time or $\frac{3}{4}$ -time minister with the Director of Transitions at the Unitarian Universalist Association. Findings will be presented at the next Board meeting in preparation for the October 20 congregational meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat McGovern

Next Meeting: Sunday, October 13, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Centering: Dan Bond

Monitor: Dan Waite

Attachments:

August Action Plan

Minister's Report

R.E. Report

Treasurer's Report

Financial Secretary's Report