

UUCS Board of Directors
March 12, 2015

Members present: Barry Halgrimson, Mark Kendall, Bill Vorachek, Lorna Youngs, Chris Vogel, Spence Logan, LJ, Fredrickson, John Prohosky
Reverend Rick Davis.

Visitors: Paul Manke, Carol Manke, Angela Gross,

5:01 p.m. Chalice Lighting:

Barry lit the chalice with a story from **Different Drums** by M Scott Peck.

Consent agenda:

Minutes from February meeting and agenda

Lorna moved to approve the minutes from the February meeting and the agenda for today's meeting. Chris seconded. Motion carried with no abstentions.

Review Reports:

Ricks report was sent to all members and many found it to be uplifting. He has nothing else to add.

RE report was received and read by members with nothing to add.

Treasurers report continues to show a net income and there has been a small reduction in pledge income. In May letters will be sent to those who are in arrears for their pledged donations. We may see a reduction of \$3000. We are under spending overall by 1 or 2 %.

The progress on the proposal for custodial services: The committee has looked closely at the facilities issues. We are in a data gathering stage. The team has spoken to HR about a job description and the supplies needed. The Budget Committee will take it into consideration and make a recommendation

Decisions before the Board:

Lorna is making a procedural proposal to extend the board policy that we accept electronic payments and that we use an additional method to accept those electronic payments. Lorna intends to create a procedural manual for using devices and John believes it should be a part of the finance manual. Lorna would fund it from the administrative budget.

Lorna moved and Chris seconded that we accept the proposal for the purchase of the tablet and the contract with the banking account that would include a reader for accepting payments. She will include the procedures for use and

authorized users. Motion carried with no abstentions.

Bill moved and Mark seconded to approve the use of \$1800 of contingency funds to offset the cost of housing for staff, youth, and members attending the GA in June.

There was a suggestion that we consider further funding for per diem expenses at a future meeting. Mark would like us to make a decision after the St Paddy's Dinner when we will have a better idea of how much money will be available. There is a general agreement that we want to support the staff in this endeavor.

Mark asks that we expect the staff to submit a budget. Rick clarified that there was no request from staff for any per diem and transportation was not discussed. Motion carried with no abstentions.

John moved and Lorna seconded that we approve \$500 of contingency funds to offset member registration for the GA conference. The funds would cover \$50 for attending the full conference and \$25 for a single day per attendee. Process for claiming reimbursement will require submittal of the paid registration to the Treasurer using the established procedures. Motion carried with no abstentions.

John moved and Mark seconded to approve the nominating team's nomination of Joel and Carolyn Woodman as co-chairs of the Membership Team. Motion carried with no abstentions.

Review List of Priorities:

Sanctuary committee will be meeting in the next week. Rick may have something to report in the next meeting.

Elder services committee will be meeting and will have more to report in the next meeting.

Safety and security will have a connection with the risk management planning.

Planning for the May 17 annual meeting needs to begin soon, following the timeline established by Mark. Anyone who would like to sit on the committee with Mark and LJ would be welcomed.

The next stage of the strategic planning has been passed to the Team Council and the council will be working on this item over the next two months.

The Hospitality committee has been under the Facilities Committee. Brian Kirkpatrick will be working with the committee on a team approach. The committee will be looking at how to facilitate the Sunday coffee services. The

next facilities meeting will cement some of the procedures.

Lorna asked whether the group is focused on making money or on covering costs. Mark appreciates the point and believes the facility committee will be able to address these issues.

There are a number of fund raising events listed in the agenda that we should promote, attend if possible, and make others aware.

LJ proposes that she host a summit of knowledge using a series of questions to guide the discussions the could be presented at a breakfast, or lunch or dinner, to gather more input and by-in from the congregation. It would be held after the annual meeting but before the new fiscal year. Barry suggests it be put on the agenda at the annual meeting.

The RE has been a great venture and we should recognize some of those volunteers and the Youth Leaders. Next month we will have thank you cards available.

It has been suggested that we form an Ad Hoc committee to explore purchasing the property next to UUCS. We may be able to purchase the field before the current owner move, but we need to see if the county would allow that. The Munsell's are planning to move eastern Oregon in three years and we have the first right of refusal on the purchase of the property. John offered to help work on the zoning aspect.

Grant application from chalice lighters would enhance the audio visual system. Paul, Mark, and John will meet with Rick to form a proposal.

Considering child care services for potential encouragement for young families to attend UUCS events. We should see if there could be some way of budgeting and planning for this.

Spence reported that there is not a lot happening right now since the youth service is done. They are looking forward to Spring Con and GA. It is a quieter time of year.

Barry presented a list of items for budgeting considerations. He hopes that some can be implemented this year and that others will be carried into the next year.

Barry extinguished the chalice with another reading from **Different Drums**.

6:38 p.m. John moved to adjourn and Mark seconded. Motion carried with no abstentions.