

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
October 2, 2018

Presiding: Anthony Salvi

Process

Observer: Rich Williams

Secretary: Rich Williams

Attendees: Anthony Salvi; Betsy Bicknell; Ashley Rothermel; Paul Atelesk; Peggy Hillman; Kaye Cook; Rev. David Miller; Rich Williams; Scott Kestner; Milo Valenzuela; Jenice Jones-Porter

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Check-In	7:35 PM
Spiritual Opening/Chalice Lighting	Kaye Cook
Minutes of August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Rich Williams

Approved/Adopted.

- I. Flooding Assessment Jenice Jones-Porter
- The assessment of the water damage has been hindered due to continuing rainfall.
  - PSC to review the estimate for the ceiling and wall at its meeting next week.
  - Question as to whether it would be best to wait until next spring to repair the Sanctuary roof and whether the temporary patch will suffice until then. With pending colder weather, concern about opening up the roof for repairs now.
  - RFP is due from Ken Foley and Bill Haight the middle of this week.
- II. Minister's Report Rev. David Miller
- Search Teams: The deadline to complete the teams was set for today. I have received 2/3 applications for the DRE Search Team and 6/7 for the Assistant Minister Search Team.
  - Social Justice Summit: The summit went well. A task group has been formed to research social justice objectives going forward. Also, looking into the application of Reach funds.
- III. Finances Jenice Jones-Porter
- Dashboard Report: Copies circulated. Noted from the report – members names removed from the membership roster and while there have been a lot of visitors recently, there is ongoing transition of members.
- IV. September 21<sup>st</sup> Board Dinner
- The dinner was well received, participants mingled and the food was great.
  - Suggestion for next year to include music and more structure (welcoming, social time before the dinner and a wrap-up) to the evening.
- V. Ordination Planning Rev. David Miller
- Confirming – the ordination is scheduled for April 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - As for the requirement for a congregational vote, suggest that this be scheduled into the new calendar year – perhaps between services on a January date.
  - Pippin is to coordinate the planning.

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VI. Search Committee Updates

Rev. David Miller/Anthony Salvi

- Anthony volunteered to be the board member for the Assistant Minister Search Team.
- Scott volunteered to be the board member for the DRE Search Team.

VII. Board Retreat

- Friday evening potluck dinner at the Hillmans (1569 Trails Edge Lane, Reston) planned for a 6:30 start. The headcount is 19.
- The Saturday retreat will be held in the board room of the Arlington UU church.

VIII. White Supremacy Discussion

Rev. David Miller

[Deferred – As Part Of The Saturday Board Retreat]

Board Observations

- Choir: Discussion on having the choir for one or the other service and sometimes both Sunday morning services.
- Get Connected Fair: Discussion on the communication of events such as this one and the reading of announcements. Noted that communications are issued multiple times in multiple ways. The attendance at the Get Connected Fair tables (1) was good, (2) people appeared to linger for an extended period and (3) there seemed to be a lot of new people showing interest.
- NOVA PRIDE: UUCF was well represented at this event on September 29<sup>th</sup> in Centreville. Governor Ralph Northam attended.
- Spiritual  
Opening/Next Meeting: Peggy will substitute for Milo.

Process Observer

Rich Williams

- Supportive discussion on being open during the meeting to provide clarifications for the secretary and notation of actionable items and/or assignments.
- When the discussion turned to an item that was ahead on the agenda, it was readily noted and deferred.
- In working through a sensitive discussion item, consideration was given for everyone to express their thoughts.
- Times and locations for the Friday and Saturday board retreat events were reconfirmed.

Adjourned

9:03 PM

Next Meeting

Date: October 2, 2018  
Spiritual Opening: Peggy Hillman  
Process Observer: Betsy Bicknell

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Respectfully Submitted: Richard Williams