

**Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Call To Order: 7:00 p.m., May 19, 2020

Presiding: Scott Kestner

Secretary: Matt Higgins

Attendees: Kaye Cook, Rich Williams, Matt Higgins, Rev. David Miller, Betsy Bicknell, Darryl Branting, Mark Magee, Bill Braband, Pete Krone, Gina Wells, Ashley Rothermel

Absent: none

Spiritual Opening/Chalice Lighting: Rev David Miller

Check-In: All

Board Minutes: Matt

- The May 5, 2020, minutes were unanimously approved per edits advised.

Minister's Report: Rev. David Miller

- UUCF has received 62 pledges in 2 days since the Annual Giving Campaign email went out. This is 14% of expected pledges or \$177,883. Seven one-time additional contributions came in amounting to over \$7,000 in additional funding. No specific information on pledge changes up or down is available based on this initial data.
- 70 cars dropped off food for the food drive, equaling about 3,000 pounds of food. There was an additional \$1,200 in food gift cards.
- The Coming of Age service this past weekend was postponed due to an international Zoom outage.
- Future services will occasionally rotate to services at other congregations to enable staff to take downtime in coming months.

Town Hall Recap

- Board members have received positive feedback on the presented information and practice voting.
- Overall, voting went well. Will need to coordinate on the back end between vote volunteers and incoming preliminary results to integrate for final vote count.

Budget

- Pete discussed various options the CT is considering to create a balanced budget for the 2020-21 congregational year given likely reductions in rental income and possible lack of auction.
- Next year's budget will be significantly influenced by what we want our mission to look like going forward for the next year as a potentially online-only congregation. What does this transformation look like? This should be discussed at the Annual Meeting.
- The board agreed to work closely with the CT to scope next year's budget.

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Annual Meeting

- Budget: At the Annual Meeting we should present a motion to manage expenses at current values, making a commitment to create and present a 2020-21 budget by Oct. 1, 2020.
- The CT will discuss tomorrow at their meeting the best use for repurposed funds from the old playground and Climb-a-Tree funds.
- Kaye will get a copy of the social justice resolution to Matt.
- Minutes from the 2019 Annual Meeting are not posted on the UCCF website. Peggy took brief notes last year. Rich will contact her to get a copy of the notes.
- The Annual Meeting will start at 11:30 a.m. on Sun., Jun. 7.
- Matt will send above info. to Mary Lareau.
- Mark discussed the need to nominate a congregational member for the UUCF Founders Award. Board members should submit their nominees to Mark and we will discuss and vote at the Jun. 2 board meeting.
- Board members should submit names to Ashley and Betsy if they are interested in running for board president. The board will vote at the Jun. 2 board meeting and results will be announced at the Annual Meeting.
- Rich Williams and Mark Magee will also help with voting at the Annual Meeting.

Other Board Observations: All

- Scott mentioned he has appreciated serving with the rest of the board and thank you.

Process Observer: Ashley

- Everything went well, including incorporating the CT into the conversation. Using the “raise hand” feature on Zoom went well.

Next Meeting: Jun. 2, 2020, 7 p.m. via Zoom

- Spiritual Opening: Rich
- Process Observer: Betsy

Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.