

UUCF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Jan. 3, 2023

Call to Order: 7 p.m., Jan. 3, 2023

Presiding: Susan Bennett

Secretary: Victoria Maldonado

Attendees: Susan Bennett, Lydia Lewis, Rev. David A. Miller, Stacy Casey, Victoria Maldonado, Kaye Cook, Megan Reynolds, Meredith Carr, David Addis, David Michael

Chalice Lighting: Stacy Casey

Spiritual Opening/Check-In: Susan Bennett

- New year visioning exercise

Consent Agenda

- Dec. 6, 2022 Minutes
 - Lydia Lewis moved to accept the minutes as written; Meredith Carr seconded the motion with unanimous approval from the board.

Our Stories: Lydia Lewis

- David Michael and David Addis each shared a meaningful UUCF experience.

Minister's Report: Rev. David

- Pastoral Care: Many COVID cases throughout the congregation, no known serious cases. Judy Baxter memorial service will be 1 p.m. on Jan. 13.
- Holiday counts: 241 people at the Joy Service, Members at 554 (+7 from last month), 119 people at Dec. 11 service, 241 people (before RE) for Music Service, Christmas Eve services 162 people (+45 online) and 98 (+66 online), note: it was a very cold day. Beginning and Belonging has 16 people signed up, eight from UUCF.
- Ben Mellott, the new AV Tech, met with staff.
- Calendaring for next year will begin Jan. 24. Please submit any important dates to Rev. D.
- Rev. D working with Leadership & Nominating Committee on its leadership choices.
- Rev. D to take a training course from the Emergent Strategy Ideation Institute.
- Rev. D participated in a number of UUCF and community events, including some during MLK Month.

January 8 Article II Event: Kaye Cook

- Kaye and Stacy went over logistics, volunteers and facilitator duties for the upcoming Article II event. It was emphasized that facilitators should not focus on the process. There will be covenant reminders, facilitated small groups and open mic speaking opportunities. Craig Bennett will also talk about how to apply to be a delegate for GA.

Board Observations

- Capital Campaign conversation/meeting Jan. 10, 7 p.m.
- Board Holiday Party Jan. 20, 6 p.m.
- Joint Potomac Partnership (PP) Boards Retreat Jan. 28 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (location TBD)
- It was decided that the board will read “Nested Bowl” by Laura Park.
- Meredith to help prepare a Google Forms survey for the PP Boards retreat.

Process Observer: Lydia Lewis

- We started with deep sharing and reflection, which set a thoughtful and easy tone for the more business-related meeting discussions.

Next Meeting: Jan. 17, 2023, 7 p.m., Zoom only

Spiritual Opening: Megan Reynolds

Chalice Lighting: Kaye Cook

Process Observer: Meredith Carr

Adjourned: 9:02 p.m.