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November 21, 2023 Board of Trustees Minutes

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Board Attendance

President Gwen Pevey
President-Elect Jill Morgan
Treasurer Lisa Dunn
Secretary Dianna Albertson
Trustee 1 Sue Moss
Trustee 2 Evelyn Moore
Quorum was reached.

Other Attendees

Dave Morgan
Snowdancer

Chalice Lighting and Check-in

The Chalice was lit at 6:37 pm.

Welcome Sue to the Board

The board welcomed Sue to the trustee position.

Approve Oct. Minutes

Lisa made a motion to approve the October minutes.

It was seconded by Evelyn.

All approved.

Treasurer's Report

Lisa sent the Oct. financial out to the board.

Copies of the budget will be emailed to members after the board approves it.

Guest and minister fees will stay the same for now on the financial report.

Evelyn motioned to keep the statements as is in the monthly report.

Dianna seconded.

All approved.

Update on \$9000 Agreement with GS4GND

Gwen will contact Esther Margaret (previously Newell) so that she can find out about the conditions for the \$9000 grant we had received.

Update on Garden Funds

\$4,500 has been spent by the garden team this year from the grant money.

Update on Church Rental Agreement

Lisa will send the agreement draft to the board members for review.

Update on Camera Added to Outside of Bldg

No camera has been added to the outside at this time.

Update on Key Policy

Lisa will send the draft to the board members for review.

Approval will be done by board through Groupme.

Update on Electric Usage

It is still unclear what is causing the high bill.

The warehouse electric bill is lower than it previously was but above what it should be.

Update on Architect Discussion

Dave gave an update now that the State St. the building is selling.

Dave met with architects last week and they need to know when we want construction to start.

Now that the State St. property is near closing on the sale, the work can begin.

The board will review the plans for approval.

Jill made a motion to start construction in the first quarter next year.

Lisa seconded.

All approved.

Ministry Council Report Bylaws for Updates and Comments

The board was emailed a copy of the Bylaw Update Proposal document that was drafted by the Ministry Team to review so that it can be presented to the congregation at the Dec.10 congregational meeting.

Snowdancer reported that The Ministry Council's meeting was mostly a discussion about upcoming services. Snowdancer will speak at the Dec. 3 service.

Discuss Removal of Board Member

The board was emailed the procedure for removing a board member and the board agreed that Dianna will insert this into the Bylaw Update Proposal document.

Update on Reimbursing Faithify Donors

Jill, Dave and Lisa will return donations after Thanksgiving.

A letter has been drafted to send to the donors when their money is given back.

Gwen joined the meeting.

Update on Taylor's Background Check

No update at this time.

Update on Gas Line

The gas leak is on the southside of the building near the worship area and Remalyn needs to let the worker into the building. Gwen reported on the plumber haven gone to the property but was unable to be let inside.

Update on Warehouse Give Away

All the appliances are gone, clothes will be given away and most of the bottled water was distributed.

Another give-away may be scheduled on Dec. 3.

Update on UUA Membership Count

The board will discuss this at the Feb. meeting.

Update on Pledge Drive

The secretary has sent an email to members to remind members to make their pledge.

7 people have made their pledges to date.

UUA Mugs to First 20 Members for TTT

Board decided to not give out the mugs.

Invite FRtR to Dec Board Mtg

Gwen has asked Lea Campbell with From Resilience to Restoration (FRtR) to speak before the board at the Dec. meeting and she has accepted the invitation.

Discuss Congregational Meeting Agenda

The following agenda will be in an email to the members for the upcoming congregational meeting:

Budget *(to be sent separately if the board has not approved it in time for the 2 week notice needed to inform members of the congregational meeting)*

Bylaw proposal

Update on Rev. Love

Update on building renovation

Other Business

Board entered an Executive Session at 7:43 pm.

Board exited Executive Session at 7:54 pm.

Chalice was extinguished at 7:54 pm.