

MINUTES
UUFH BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
7/18/11

Present: Bill Houck, Royal Forest, Susan Kenler, Jennifer Sappell, David Sussman, Ken Buley-Neumar, Reba Siniscalchi, Carolyn Freud, Kathryn Johnson

Absent: Michael Goldsmith, Matt Barish

Reports:

Minister's Sabbatical and SPC Report - See Attached.

President's Report - See Attached.

VP Report - See Attached

Treasurer's Report - See Attached. Susan Peters, Kathryn and the Book-keeper hired an accountant. Not a member but familiar with UUFH. There are outstanding pledges. Books will be closed in a few weeks.

DRE Report - Ongoing small multi-age summer program. Pumpkin garden is being enjoyed by all.

Minutes - Approval of minutes 6/20/ 11 - Motion made by Royal, 2nd by Susan. Passed.

ACTION ITEMS

7/31/11 - date for forum on the Ministerial Search Process Workshop for those interested in being a part of this important process. There will be a Special Email for the Service with Craig Hirshberg. "Dynamics of Change". Also will be placed in Order of Service on 7/24/11. Invitation extended to Leadership and all those interested in being part of the process, including CCC, Nominating Committee etc. Americans United for the Separation of Church and State - Request to use our Facilities on 9/25/11, 11/8/11, 1/10 /12, 3/13/12, 5/8/12.

9/25/11 is the same day as Forum for Paul to explain his leaving. (Times will not conflict). Bill will confirm with Paul that the Forum is in the works.

Huntington Awareness Parade - 9/17/11. Unity in the Community in Huntington Station.

Who is Participating? Who will sponsor? The Whole Congregation or Peace and Justice council? Royal will investigate.

Compensation for Child Care Workers - Requested a raise to \$15.00 per hour. Kathryn will work on this. Also at issue is who the workers go to in order to discuss such issues.

INFORMATION UPDATES

Stewardship Review - We are serious about organizing a year-long, all-connections based, inter-generational, community-circles, caring small group ministry with pastoral framework for UUFH. This is a ministry/membership/ finance etc. all year initiative.

Growth and Vitality - A team will work on a project of fostering connections. Strategy will be discussed at a special meeting on 7/25/11.

Need a contact person for Police and Fire when UUFH is closed. Lynn Cryer is a good candidate. Susan will follow up.

Unlocked doors remain an issue. We are working on those.

COCM - Report follow up by individual Board members - Royal will see that their work is acknowledged.

Board Retreat is 8/13/11 in Oyster Bay Christchurch. Susan will confirm with Christchurch. Sunday 8/12/11 is Paul' s first Sunday back. He will preach and there will be a "special Coffee Hour" to welcome him back.

General Assembly Report - Ethical Eating Action Issue was passed. Next year is a year of implementation. Next GA is Justice Assembly in Phoenix. Changed is definition of a congregation to include Church of the Larger Fellowship. No longer "brick and Mortar" defined.

NEW ITEMS

YMCA is not interested in our space, but another Children's Enrichment Program may be. Will discuss rent issues with Susan Peters.

Need to start up the BUILDING USE COMMITTEE.

Insurance - Found a new Policy with expanded coverage. increased Umbrella. Will also change Health Insurance Policy.

Next Beacon Article on Living Our Principles - Royal is talking to Art Monge for August.

Susan is working on Susan P for another time.

Deeds Well Done - Don Knight working in garden. Bill will write.

Muttontown Fellowship - Bob Phelps is having a Hot Lunch next Sunday 7/24/11. All invited.

Secretary Reminder - Office Manager gets Snow Removal Contract - Bill will do.

Investment Committee - More members? Royal is meeting with them on 7/19/11.

Bob Bader asked to be on Endowment again for another 3 year term. Bill will research whether he is allowed to be on again. (according to by-laws).

Opening and Closing words for August - Kathryn

Need new directory this year - Royal will do.

Adjourned.

Next Business Meeting 8/15/11