

# Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana

*Seeking the Spirit, Building Community, Changing the World*

Approved Board Minutes

June 16, 2021



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**Board members attending:** Stuart Yoak, Abby Gitlitz, Steven Gilbert, Rich Slabach, Jane McLeod, Drew Schrader

**Board members absent:** Julie Lawson

**Ministers attending:** Reverends Mary Ann Macklin, Dave Clements and Emily Manvel Leite

**Present by invitation:**

**Submitted by:** Steven Gilbert, Secretary

**Attached Documents:** none

## **I. Call to Order**

President Stuart Yoak called the online meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

## **II. Chalice Lighting**

Abby Gitlitz lit the candle while Drew Schrader provided the reading.

### **III. Approval of the Minutes**

Stuart Yoak moved for approval of the May Board meeting minutes. After a second, the motion was accepted.

Approval of the June Congregational Meeting Minutes was deferred to July.

### **IV. Ministers' Reports**

#### **A. Senior Minister's Report**

Rev. Macklin provided the senior minister's report.

#### **B. Report from Rev. Manvel-Leite**

Rev. Leite advised the board on ways to address the changes in RE with participants in upcoming listening sessions and in future interactions concerning those program changes, especially concerned parents.

#### **C. Interim Minister's Report**

Rev. Clements shared his reaction to conflicts concerning changes in the RE program and his hope to learn from what has transpired.

### **V. Community Minister's Report and Board Policy Reviews**

The community minister's reports by Rev. Gilmore and the Review and Examination of the Board's Policy Governance Model will both be rescheduled.

### **VI. Topics Raised at the June 7 Congregational Meeting**

The board discussed the events at the June 7 Congregational meeting where ongoing changes in the UUCB's Religious Education Program dominated discussion following VP Abby Gitlitz's report. The Board decided to set up four or five online listening sessions, with at least three board members in attendance, where concerned congregants may share their opinions and grievances with the Board. Abby Gitlitz will arrange to have these meetings scheduled and announced. Jane McLeod took charge of wording the announcement of the results of two important votes at the congregational meeting that could not be tallied before the end of the meeting and will be sending that announcement out for review. The Board also discussed the severance for Adrienne Summerlot, which became a point of contention at the June Congregational meeting, and supports Rev. Macklin in the amount she will pay.

### **VII. Housekeeping**

Signups for Sunday announcements and future Chalice Lighting and Reading were reviewed.

### **VIII. Executive Session**

The board entered executive session at around 9:00 p.m.

### **IX. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.