

# Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington

## Approved Minutes of the February 20, 2008 Board of Directors Meeting

Governance -- Membership Journey -- Communication

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**Attending:** David Cox, Steve Dillon, Chris Haynes, Jason Hill, Chris Judge, Lloyd Orr, G. K. Rowe, Jan Skinner, Amy Taylor, Shari Woodbury

**Not attending:** Deanne Lahre, Karen Jewell

**Ex-officio:** Rev. Bill Breeden, Rev. Mary Ann Macklin, Cindy Port

**Call to order** by Jan Skinner, President, at 7:05 PM

**Chalice Lighting and Reading** by G.K. Rowe

## **Motion: Approve the January 16, 2008 Board of Directors Meeting minutes**

Moved by Steve Dillon, second by David Cox

Vote: approved unanimously

## **Director of Religious Education Report**

Cindy Port reported substantial growth of the Religious Education program.

- Number of registered children and youth: 164
- Number of Children and youth who are not registered that have attended Religious Education class in the last two weeks: 31
- Number of children attending Sunday morning 2/17/08: 102, compared with 63 on 2/18/07
- Number of Religious Education classes a week
  - 11 Sunday mornings
  - 3 Our Whole Lives classes Monday evenings
  - 2 Youth meetings Sunday nights
  - Family worship and Reverend Leite's Adult Religious Education class for families

## **Minister's Report**

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin's report is attached.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Lloyd Orr reports positive financial situation with details to follow by email.

Overages in budget

Celebrations spent about \$155. more than budgeted.

Campus Ministry. Memo from Susan Blake

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin submitted the following information for the minutes on the Campus Ministry budget.

Our campus ministry program budget this year has been used on membership dues and participation fees in CaRLA (an interdenominational religious leaders' group), copies, supplies for worship, and social events -- a lock-in during the Holiday Bazaar and two pizza and movie nights at the church. In total (including \$24 in receipts not yet submitted), we've spent \$438.40, just under 10% (9.6%, to be exact) over our budget.

Our Campus Ministry program is growing under the leadership of our Campus Ministry Coordinator, Susan Blake. The program now has about 30 active members and our program is now represented in such campus groups as the Campus Religious Leaders Association (CRLA).

As a result, the current budget has been stretched and recently met its limit for the year. In speaking with Susan Blake and the Committee Chair, Katie Peebles, the spending has not been frivolous but rather a product of accommodation to numbers and visibility (curricula, songbook, CRLA dues, and activities). While the group may look into fundraising, are there other ways they can be financially supported in their success? Thanks, Mary Ann

## Motion: Budget overage

Ratify the \$155 overage of the Celebrations budget

Moved by Steve Dillon, second by Chris Judge

Vote: approved, with Jan Skinner opposed

## Committee Reports

See the attached *Committee Reports* and *Holiday Bazaar Report* documents.

## Congregational Services -- Chris Judge

See the attached *Congregational Services Liaison Report* document.

## Governance Update -- Jan Skinner

Informational sessions will be in the Forum time between services on March 23rd and April 13th.

A **Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday April 20th, at 5:30**, will be held to vote on governance by-law changes. Food will be provided after the meeting.

## Delegates and conference attendance

Iris Kiesling reported on anticipated conference, meeting, and assembly attendance.

- Unitarian Universalist Association General Assembly - Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. There are possible security issues.

Cost?: \$285/person registration before May 5th?

This year 8 delegates (none of these are firm): Kevin Woodruff, Amy Taylor, Shari Woodbury, Patricia Harris, David Keppel, Becky Wagner (has attended in Boston with scholarship support), GK Rowe, Ann Haynes, Bill Breeden, Mary Ann Macklin

- Heartland District Meeting (Louisville) (\$125/person registration) 8 delegates: so far Iris Kiesling, Jackie Hall, Kelly Rauch. Any other recommendations?
- Large Church Conference (Louisville) (\$300/person registration): Jan Skinner, Chris and Ann Haynes, Kevin Woodruff and Amy Taylor, Shari Woodbury, Carol Marks, Bill Breeden

The budget will support only six General Assembly registrations. Other expense support will require a scholarship.

## **Motion: approve budget six Large Church Conference registrations**

Moved by Shari Woodbury, second by Lloyd Orr

Vote: approved unanimously

## **Rev. Laurel Hallman petition**

Reverend Macklin presented the Congregation Nomination form for Reverend Laurel Hallman in her quest for the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) Presidency, attached. This is not an endorsement by the board; it simply means that our board believes she is qualified to run for UUA President. The February 1st date at the top is for 2009, so we've not missed the date.

## **Motion: Rev. Laurel Hallman petition**

The congregation support Rev. Laurel Hallman's petition for nomination for the position of President of the Unitarian Universalist Association.

Moved by Lloyd Orr, second by David Cox

Vote: approved unanimously

## **Discussion of policy on Assistance to the Indigent**

Revision of policy 5.01 was discussed. There will be a motion at the next meeting of the board.

## **Motion: to adjourn**

Moved by Shari Woodbury, second by David Cox

Vote: approved unanimously

**The meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM**

## **Dates you need to know**

- Feb. 23: Elder Care Workshop
- Mar. 2: Auction - Public invited.
- Mar. 13-16: Large Church Conference, Louisville, KY
- Mar. 19: Next Board Meeting
- Mar. 30: "Leadership" event at 4:30 PM. Board is invited.
- Apr. 5-6: Heartland District meeting, Louisville, KY
- Apr. 7: Stewardship Campaign kick-off