

Hopedale Unitarian Universalist Community
Board of Directors Meeting
November 19, 2008
Minutes

Present: Peter Carels, Linda Eppert, Mary Fox, Ann Fuehrer, Genevieve O'Malley Knight, Liz Woedl, Gretchen Ziolkowski

Chalice Lighting: Opening remarks by Liz.

Minutes: Move to accept (motion by Gen, second by Peter). All in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Written report submitted by Ann. 17% of the fiscal year has passed.. Old pledges continue to come in and 29% of pledges for this year have already been collected. The pledge total has gone up to \$55,800. The discrepancy between the building fund and the operating fund will be resolved after the CD matures in March.

President's Report: Written report submitted by Liz. Some discussion of the greeter shortage and need for welcome and hospitality. The implications of Jon Ralinovsky's resignation from Hopedale were considered.

Committee Reports:

VP-Religious Services: Written report by Kim (absent). Some discussion of procedures for inclement weather. It was determined that as of 8:30 a.m. Peter Carels is supposed to check on the situation with snow in the driveway

VP-Administrative Services: Oral report by Peter. Nothing new to report from the Finance Committee. Housing and Property has a long list of desired items, including a new thermostat, insulation, and lighting.

VP-Member Services: Oral report by Mary. The newsletter and directory update is in process.

VP-Outreach: Written report by Gen.

Old Business: The Operations and Procedures Manual is complete.

New Business: The timing of a Board retreat in early 2009 was discussed. The allocation of the Reverend Eppert's compensation was resolved: \$2000 for Housing and \$500 for Salary (motion by Peter, second by Mary, all in favor). It was suggested that, as reflected in the budget, Amy West Poley and Wayne Copenhaver receive a 4% pay increase, effective September 1, 2008 (motion by Ann, second by Gen, all in favor). The logistics of internet use at Hopedale were considered, and the issue of the procedure and protocol for advocacy on the Hopedale website and newsletter discussed. It was agreed that requests for such advocacy should go through the Social Action Committee. Peter reported on the current status of the Tap project and the

question of siding cost and installation.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Gretchen Ziolkowski.