

Hopedale Unitarian Universalist Community
Board of Directors Meeting
January 21, 2009
Minutes

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

Chalice Lighting: Reading by Linda. Opening remarks by Liz.

Membership Development and Nominating Committee: Eunice. Celebration of the Board and announcement that Robert Bell will chair this year's Canvass.

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

Treasurer's Report: Written report submitted by Ann. 33 1/2% of the fiscal year has passed. 51% of pledges for the year have been collected. All of HUUC's fair-share dues have been paid. \$1000 for Leadership Development is available from Denominational Affairs. Motion to approve by Peter, second by Kim. All in favor.

President's Report: Written report by Liz. Liz reiterated her belief that HUUC has much to offer the greater community, especially now.

Consultant Minister Report: Written report by Linda. Linda hopes that once the Board has gone through the Appreciative Inquiry process, that process might be extended to the congregation.

Committee Reports:

VP-Religious Services: Written report by Kim. A search is ongoing for a chair of the Sunday Services Committee.

VP-Administrative Services: Written report by Peter.

VP-Member Services: Oral report by Mary. Name tags are being updated. Mary expressed a desire for greater visibility of the Board members at services and their help with hospitality and clean-up.

VP-Outreach: Oral report by Gen. Peter outlined progress on the Tap project.

Old Business: Operations and Procedures Manual is still in process. Updates should go to Amy West-Poley. Discussion and motion by Peter to approve (as amended by Kim) suspension of the rules concerning dates for the Spring Congregational Meeting because of the timing of this year's spring break and the need to complete the Canvass and Budget. Second by Gen, all in favor. There was a motion by Ann, seconded by Gen, to move \$500 to the Canvass budget. All in favor.

New Business: Discussion of back-up procedures if John Eicher is not available to open the building on Sunday morning. The Heartland Annual Meeting will be held April 3-5 in Muncie, Indiana. We may designate two delegates by February 25. Gen or Liz should be informed of any interest. Linda's salary compensation for 2009 was allocated as follows: \$12,600 for Housing and \$2400 for Salary. Regarding a Statement of Conscience on "Peacemaking," for which we could sign on by February 2, and a request to nominate candidate Pete Morales for UUA president by February 1, the Board voted to abstain for lack of time (motion by Gen, second by Peter).

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Gretchen Ziolkowski.