

## UUFCC BOARD MEETING October 14 2008

### Motions Passed:

That we issue electronic checks for staff payroll (See 5b).

That we accept the revised Board Covenant for 2008 (See 5d).

**Present:** Marion Dornell, Mark Hayes, Andy Lau, Peter Jurs, Stevie Rocco, John Schmidt, Helen Volz, Jean Wiant, Carolyn Wilhelm, Jan Wuest (recorder)

1. **Chalice Lighting and Monthly reflection** - Andy Lau read his summary of the *Alban Weekly* article on “How Responding to People’s Needs Hurts the Church.”
2. **Agenda** - Two additions were requested and entered: Marian Dornell on Diversity issues and Andy Lau on the Mortgage Burning Celebration
3. **Approval of minutes from September 9** - Revisions were made and the minutes approved as revised
4. **Written Reports** -
  - Minister-Mark Hayes submitted a written report.
  - DLRE-Jean Wiant submitted a written report.
  - Music Director-Matt Travis submitted a written report.
  - Treasurer-Peter Jurs submitted the year-to-date budget & reports.
  - Trustees - Liaison Areas - No reports.
  - Program Council: Helen Volz submitted a draft of the minutes from Sept.
5. **Business**
  - a. **Endowment Committee update** - Members of the Endowment and Directed Gifts (E&DG) Committee Carolyn Wilhelm, Bob Herron, Peggy Halleck, Jose Campos and Wayne Osgood meet every three months. The Committee provides 1) assistance to projects that enhance the goals of the UUFCC 2) funds gifts provided from bequests, and 3) provides emergency funds to support the fellowship *if the existence of the congregation is threatened by insufficient funds*. It is significant that the core Endowment Fund is not permitted to assist the fellowship with operating expenses. With that in mind, the Committee has initiated a new category, the “Memorial Accumulation Fund” that will enable the E&DG Committee to help financially with any of the fellowship’s unforeseen events.
  - b. **Update on budget questions from September:**
    - **MOTION:** Peter Jurs moved that we issue electronic checks for staff payroll.
    - Inactive In/Out Accounts - All but two of these funds have been moved into their corresponding budget lines.
    - Chalice Lighter Grant Funds - The Board in the last budget cycle decided that the Chalice Lighter Grant would cover all expenses in five categories: Leadership Development, Soulful

Sundown, Soulful Sundown childcare, Sunday Evening Family Services, and Publicity (partial).

- Peter produced a written draft for a policy on monetary gifts given to the UUFCC. The Board made a few suggestions and Peter will send a revised draft for consideration next month.

- c. **Accomplishment List** - John asked that we contact Lois directly with any suggestions.
- d. **Covenant/Board meeting guidelines** - Revisions were suggested. **MOTION:** Stevie Rocco moved to accept the revised version of the Board Covenant for 2008. John will rework the Board Meeting Guidelines and the Board will review them at the next meeting.
- e. **Diversity Issues** - Marian Dornell - The Diversity groups will continue to meet regularly. BWWDA = Building the World We Dream About will meet quarterly. The next meeting is scheduled for January. ADORE = A Dialog on Race and Ethnicity meets the second Sunday of the month during the lifelong learning hour from 11:30-12:30. The primary goal is to focus on people taking risks and feeling safe about discussing their feelings and thoughts on the issues of race and ethnicity. John suggested that Marian go to the Program Council for planning and support.
- f. **Emeritus membership** - The Membership Committee provided a handout describing the policy, purpose and procedures to be considered for a member to be given emeritus status. The Board supported the proposed policy.
- g. **Safety issues** - Mark Hayes and Jean Wiant will work with a small task force to address safety issues that affect the care of UUFCC members and UUFCC facilities.
- h. **Long Range Planning update** - On October 26 the LRPC will examine building expansion options and costs associated with each option. A letter will go out to the congregation before October 26 inviting them to the meeting and to the small group meetings that follow October 27-31. John urged the Board to encourage members to sign up and to participate in readiness for a vote on the expansion at the Mid-Year meeting on November 16.
- i. **Mortgage Burning Celebration & Mid-Year Congregational Meeting**-The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chili Cook-off, sponsored by the RE, and champagne and cake provided by Andy Lau and members will precede the November 16 meeting.
- j. **Mid-year & Annual Meetings** - The Mid-year meeting will focus primarily on the building expansion and electing a nominating committee. The Board requested that Peter Jurs give a summary of this year's budget and compare the budget with last year's totals. The May 3 date was confirmed for the Annual Meeting.
- k. **UUFCC grant opportunities**-John gave information to Helen Volz for the Program Council.

- l. **Going paperless** - Jean Wiant expressed her desire for the Board to go electronic. The Board will look at that next month.

## **6. Adjourn**

### **Next month:**

Review revised draft on monetary gift giving policy

Review Board meeting guidelines

Discuss the possibility of the Board going paperless, using Power Point presentations and providing a Green Box for recycling after congregational meetings and services

### **Dates:**

Program Council October 21, 7:00 pm

LRPC Sunday October 26, 11:30 pm

Small Group Meetings October 26-November 1

Board meeting November 11, 7:00 pm

Mid-year Congregational meeting, chili cook-off & mortgage burning party,  
November 16, 11:30 am

Annual meeting May 3, 11:30 am