

UUFCC Board Meeting
August 11, 2009
Approved September 8, 2009

Motion: that we support the 2008 Action of Immediate Witness, a social action advocacy, and the activities of the UUFCC social action task force on health care reform (See #1).

Present: Brenda Black, Helen Dempsey, Peter Jurs, Andy Lau, John Schmidt, Helen Volz, Jean Wiant, Jan Wuest (recorder), Judy Andronici & Art Goldschmidt were present for discussion #1 on healthcare.

1. Chalice lighting & Discussion on the 2008 Action of Immediate Witness: The Social Action Committee and the Citizens for Healthcare Reform task force asked the Board for a vote of support on the 2008 Action of Immediate Witness presented at the UUA General Assembly, a social action advocacy inspired by UU principals. John Schmidt moved that the Board support the action of Immediate Witness and the activities of the social action task force on health care reform. Jan Wuest seconded. The motion passed.
2. September monthly reflection volunteer – Helen Volz
3. Changes to agenda - None
4. Approval of June 9 minutes – The revised minutes were approved as corrected. John made the motion, Brenda seconded
5. Reports
 - a. Minister – (summer break)
 - b. DLRE-Report submitted
 - c. Music Director (summer break)
 - d. Trustee liaison reports
 - 1) Brenda Black – Nothing to report. The Personnel Committee did not meet this summer. John Schmidt remarked that we were late completing contract details last year and suggested that they be done earlier this year. The contracts begin on July 1 with reviews scheduled in the spring. The “job” description for the Personnel Committee needs to be updated. Leadership development will be on the agenda for the Board retreat.
 - 2) Andy Lau – The Finance Committee did not meet this summer. Helen asked whether or not monies requested by the Board and the Program Council for unexpected or general expenses were a line item in the current budget. There is not a line item for either of these. Andy will follow up on this question and send

a note to the Finance Committee to request that this is included in the budget plan for next year.

3) Stevie Rocco – no report

- e. Treasurer - The Board asked Peter to update the Board later this year on the cash reserve fund balance once those figures are available.
- f. Program Council – Helen Dempsey submitted a report and added that the Program Council is looking into the cost of advertising on National Public Radio (NPR-WPSU).

6. Old Business

- a. Church Data Base - No report this month. The Board will add that to the agenda for September.
- b. Invitation to Carolyn Wilhelm – Helen will email Carolyn Wilhelm, chair of Endowment and Directed Gifts Fund, and inquire about her availability to meet with the Board.
- c. Steering Committee and Frankie’s visit – August 28-August 30. John reported that the goal of Frankie Price Stern’s visit this month is to guide us through a process that will help us estimate the amount of money we might raise with a successful capital campaign for building expansion. Meetings will be scheduled with the finance team, the board, the building team, and the capital campaign leadership team. One of the main goals of this first of three visits is to select households who will be interviewed by Ms. Price Stern during her second visit in September. The congregation will be fully informed about the process at each step.

7. New Business

- a. Date for midyear meeting—Noon on November 15
 - 1) The Chili Cook-off will be held before the midyear meeting and the proceeds will benefit Religious Education programs.
- a. FYIs
 - 1) On Association Sunday, October 4, a group of UU churches will meet in Lancaster and feature UU minister Meg Barnhouse as speaker. Mark plans to charter a bus. A Sunday service has been planned here for those not able or interested in the trip.
Peter mentioned that the Social Action Committee should be informed to suggest that the First Sunday Plate Collection in October be delayed a week.

- 2) An Environmental & Sustainability Conference at Penn State is scheduled for October 23 and 24. They are requesting help in housing students. Andy Lau will follow up with a phone call and put the information in the newsletter.
 - 3) There were two letters of thanks from the UUSC for our donations.
 - 4) Suggestions for nominating committee members for September – There has been a discussion on the UU Leaders listserv about asking the nominating committees to serve as a leadership development body in addition to their current tasks.
 - 5) The board retreat will be held at the Zarkowers' cabin. There will be no outside facilitator invited this year. The agenda will be available before the September Board meeting.
8. General Assembly comments – Helen thanked the congregation for their financial support that covered some of her expenses. Jean Wiant thought it was one of the best GAs she has ever attended. She thought the youth caucus was particularly impressive. Mark and Jean have ordered videos from some of the sessions. Next year's GA will be held in Minneapolis. Jean also attended the Unitarian Mid-Atlantic Conference in Allentown this summer. The intergenerational focus and opportunities for scholarships should make it possible for other UUFCC members to attend and this conference is usually a more affordable option than attending GA.
9. Closing

Dates:

September 8 Board meeting

September 18 and 19 Board Retreat

September 24 Panel on Health Care, 7 pm municipal bldg

November 15 Mid-Year Meeting

Follow up:

Stevie on software

Carolyn Wilhelm's report to the Board

Review plans for the board retreat

Update on Frankie Price Stern visits

