## UUFCM Board of Trustees Meeting July 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. UU Center

## **UUFCM Board Covenant:**

As members of the UUFCM Board of Trustees, we covenant to keep the best interests of the congregation at heart and to carry out the trust placed in us as guardians of the Mission and the Principles and as stewards of the resources of our church. We commit to:

- Be prepared, present, prompt, and to participate.
- Communicate respectfully; all will be heard and we will seek consensus.
- Use discretion in communications beyond the Board.
- Support the decisions and policies of the Board.

## **UUFCM Mission Statement:**

To be a religious community guided by love transforming our lives and our world.

**Present:** Laura McBride, Annette Pratt, Capalene Howse, Carol Rard, Scott Daigle, Dawn Daniels

- 1. Chalice Reading by Laura at 6:35
- 2. Welcome and check in
- 3. Consent Agenda Consent Agenda approved
  - Minutes of May 10, 2015 Board meeting received Annual Meeting Minutes of 5/17/2015 - received Minister's Report not received RE Committee Report-and/or DRE report-received Worship Team Report received Treasurer Report- received Social Justice Coordinating Team Report-not received Congregational Life Team Report-Rec'd & membership report-received Membership Report received

## 4. Discussion Agenda:

New business:

- MidAmerica Regional Conference Report: Capalene & Annette Annette summarized the differences between the 2014 conference and 2015 conference The theme of the conference addressed how UU churches handle race relations and deal with social justice issues around races relations in their community. "Ethical spectacle" How do we raise consciousness in our own congregation about our own privilege? Discussion of Black Lives Matter and the genesis of that movement.
- 2. Plan August Retreat Date: Annette will poll the board on the Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Or Saturday Sept.3. No separate board meeting on August 9<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. Garage Sale produced \$1496.70 after costs and it is possible the \$100 from the sale of the piano may not be included. We are short \$1800 in pledges for the 2015-16 year. Laura made a motion that this money be used to help make up the shortfall anticipated in the 2015-16 budget. An additional fundraiser may be necessary in addition to cover the remaining shortfall and travel expenses to the 2016 GA in Cleveland. The vote was unanimous in favor of applying this money toward the budget. Further fundraisers will be considered if needed as the year goes on.

- 4. Fair Share –It was moved and seconded that the Board authorize the payment of our regional and national "fair share" payments totaling \$4704 for 56 memberships. The motion is to pay this amount in one lump sum. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Heating and Cooling—we have not had a service contract with Dorr Heating and Cooling since 2013. The cost would be \$320 for the annual contract for cleaning twice annually. Sprinklers on the east side of the building have been damaged by the construction at the library. They will be fixed/replaced by the library and or the contractor for the construction project.
- 6. Review website for updating.
- Assign team liaisons: Congregational Life meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month—Laura RE—monthly on a Tuesday - open, Worship Team--Vicki, Social Justice Coordinating Team --open
- 8. Adult RE Donation Request- Joyce Hendricks would like the board to discuss working with an organization that helps young girls' education called CAMFED. After review of materials supplied by Joyce. Laura moved we support this organization as an official UUFCM organization. The motion passed with unanimous support.
- 5. Old Business:
  - 1. Vote on Dawn's reappointment Dawn has requested a 2 year contract. Motion to approve a 2 year contract beginning August 1, 2015 through July 30, 2017 passed with unanimous support.
- 6. Updates/ Announcements:
  - Board tickler for July/August 2015—tabled committees for August, door code changes in April, membership committee for the directory, update website, special events set when Dawn gets back, check with committees for goals and planned events for the year 2015-16) Gisela will be the rental and events person and is working on a pamphlet for showcasing events, Update board handbooks—Laura, membership report has been received, social justice liaison –events for the calendar
  - 2. Fellowship Life meeting July 19th There will be no fellowship life meeting for July.
  - 3. Our new building cleaner has been hired. Her name is April Schafer
  - 4. Collected the old Board Handbooks for replacement with new.
  - 5. Employee contracts—Annette and Scott are working on them. Laura will send the job description to Scott for the administrative assistant. Laura noted there is no job description for the RE director. Annette will ask Kirsten for the job description she has for DRE for the handbook.
  - 6. Directory Addendum is due.

Adjourned

Typed by Vicki Chessin - not present - from notes.