UUFCM Board of Trustees Meeting October 8, 2017

Present: Mary Alsager, Chris Bailey, Norma Bailey, Dawn Daniels, Joyce Henricks, Laura McBride, Janis Shinn

Absent: Brigitte Bechtold, Ethan Kolek

The meeting came to order at 7:45 pm.

The chalice was lit and the consent agenda, including the minutes of September 10, were approved.

New business:

- A. Treasurer's Time: The endowment check has been accepted. Norma provided Chris with the two childcare teacher contracts. He will provide the first quarter report next month.
- B. Congregational retreat in January- RE, ministerial direction, small group ministry and/or activities from our Board retreat as possible topics. The date will be Saturday, January 20, 2018 with time TBD later and lunch provided. We'll get a Save the Date announcement into the e-News.
- C. Low attendance issue discussion-deferred until next Sunday, October 15, at 11:45 for a special one-hour meeting.

Old business:

- a. Building and Liability Insurance Chris will follow up with this at our regularly scheduled review next summer.
- b. Bids for porch renovation and door We received a bid by Hoffman but no bids by Greenwald nor Marc Reohr. We recognized that the cost to renovate the porch is much higher than we thought and, as well, there are some code issues to be considered. Therefore, instead of fully renovating the porch, we will check with Tom Moffit about selecting a replacement door/lock (Wisconsin side) with consultation with Marc Reohr. Norma proposed that Marc also replace boards and epoxy the porch/steps, and do other minor repairs in the building. We also decided to create a decorative memorial tree of remembrance to put into the sanctuary to honor Mari Potter and other members who have previously died. Laura will contact a member at Midland UU to get a photo of their memorial tree.
- c. Wifi and Ethernet in the sanctuary Aaron is waiting for cooler weather to run lines under the building.
- d. Adult RE The Social Justice Coordinating Team will work on this starting in January 2018.
- e. Small group ministry-Dawn. We have generated a list of people to pursue piloting this program.
- f. Team reviews of website sections-The CLMT and Worship are complete, and RE and SJCT are still working.

Updates/Announcements:

a. Reviewed tickler for October/November duties.

b. Plan fellowship life meeting in October - NYE party input, Peace Pole, volunteers for Harvest Feast, announce the January 20 date for congregational retreat, Social Justice Survey

c. Next board meeting is on November 12 at 6:30 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.