

Splinters from the Board- December, 2010

Present: Rev. Dr. Nana' Krotochvil, Norma Bailey (president-elect), Gisela Moffit (past president), Alan Jackson (treasurer), Joyce Henricks (trustee), Valerie Stephens (trustee), and Mary Alsager (president)

Nana' lit the chalice, Mary gave a welcome and the Consent agenda was approved including the minutes of the November meeting.

1. Treasurers report: Alan

- Alan passed out the monthly update and reported a CD has matured. The Finance Committee will evaluate further action and is asked to set policy for socially responsible accounts.
- Member year-end statements are ready to be distributed and will be passed out in December so people can be sure they are current with their pledges.
- The board approved the increased rate for Nana's local place of residence (bed and breakfast) which is going up \$10 per night.
- There has been a prior practice to pay a choir member for additional musical contributions. The board approved payment of \$210 to cover from July – December, 2010 and the board supported a payment of \$50 to future guest musicians.

2. Worship Team: Nana':

- Asked board members to make the announcements before the worship service.
- Nana' shared a draft proposal to move to two services beginning September 2011

3. Presidents' Report: Gisela, Mary, Nana':

- Gisela proposed holding a monthly after-service meeting, called "Fellowship Life" to share current church happenings with interested congregants. Areas might include building updates, committee needs, etc and provide an opportunity for members to ask questions and share concerns. The board will try this concept on the third Sunday of each month starting January 2011.
- Board viewed a draft of the website re-design Kirsten has proposed.

4. RE committee: Norma:

- OWL is being offered to the 8th – 12th group with 10 of our youth to participate. Guy Newland and Laura McBride will teach the first 4 Sundays, and Niki and Justin Henry the next.
- The youth room has furniture.
- The RE committee has given a positive performance review of Megan.
- "Guest-at-your-table" will be postponed to the new year. Marcie Post and Lewis Krec will be in charge.

5. Social Action: Valerie and Norma:

- Valerie reported that Amy Schneidhorst's informal survey regarding "Social Action" activities at coffee hour indicates our fellowship is most interested in hands-on activities in the community.
- Norma reported on the next steps for the Welcoming Congregation efforts. In addition to the worship service Jan 30 and the All Congregation Retreat Feb 12 we plan a film series and will repeat the "Ouch, that Stereotype Hurts" workshop.

6. Building Report: Mary and Gisela

- The keyless door lock will be installed soon.

- We now have tax-free status at Gordon Food Service. We will continue to pursue this with other institutions in the areas.
 - Gisela has met with a contractor at the UU Center requesting a bid we can use to evaluate the cost of moving the kitchen.
 - Gisela gave out updates on rental forms.
7. Membership committee – Gisela reported 5 new members, but our numbers are stable given members who have moved out of the area.
8. Stewardship Drive – Gisela
Gisela handed out a proposed schedule for the 2011 Drive and shared a sign-up sheet for circle suppers and canvassers. The theme will be “Growing Together.”

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be Jan. 9, 2011 at UU Center at 7PM.