

MINUTES: May 13, 2013

Unitarian Universalist Church of Davis Board of Trustees

Board members present: Suzanne Kimmel, Chair; Marty West, Vice Chair; Ann Halsted; Hiram Jackson; Joyce Takahashi; Karen Urbano. **Board members absent:** George Hubert. **Others present:** Annie Gonzalez, Intern & Campus Minister; Jack Whitsett, Program Council Chair; Kathy Coulter, Operations Co-Chair; Stacie Frerichs, Financial Officer; Liz Leahy, Board Secretary.

Opening Activities

Chair Suzanne Kimmel called the meeting to order at 7:05. Joyce Takahashi lit the chalice and shared a personal reflection. Ann Halsted read the Board Covenant.

Suzanne Kimmel asked for the Approval of the Agenda. The agenda was approved. Motion: Marty West. Seconded: Karen Urbano. Passed unanimously.

There was no congregational input.

Consent Agenda

Minutes and Highlights for April 8, 2013 Board Meeting
CoM Nominees: Karen Urbano and Lucas Frerichs
Records Retention Policy

Moved approval of Consent Agenda: Ann Halsted. Seconded: Marty West. Passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action Items

Stacie Frerichs presented the UUCD Draft Operational Budget for the 2013-14 fiscal year, which the Board approved as amended. This budget will be presented to the congregation for approval at the Annual Membership Meeting on May 19. Motion: Marty West. Seconded: Karen Urbano. Passed unanimously.

Informational Items

1. Marty West said ongoing negotiations for the Redbud Montessori lease renewal are going well. At the May 2 meeting attended by Karen Gill, Redbud Montessori Director, Bryan Shields, Montessori Board member /parent, Kate Raymond, Cath Bleyer, and Marty West, everyone agreed we would keep the current lease in effect while we negotiate a new one. Redbud is interested in the possibility of sharing the cost of remodeling the building in exchange for a 10-year lease. The highest Redbud priority is to add an adult bathroom. The church's RE program would also appreciate an adult bathroom. Redbud will get back to us with a proposal. In the meantime, the rent will increase 3 % in June per the current lease.
2. Karen Urbano gave a summary for the first Pacific Western Regional Assembly April 26-28 in San Jose. There were four districts in attendance and 650 attendees. Three tracks of workshops were the focus on Saturday, all led by regional staff, and a debate on Sunday featured the two UUA moderator candidates, Jim Key and Tamara Payne-Alex. At the Pacific Central District (PCD) Annual Meeting, the new District Executive was introduced, Josh Searle-White. He will start in

July. New PCD trustees were elected by the delegates. New board members include Brittany Snow Hernandez of UUCD. Steve Burns of UUCD is also a PCD Board Member. The delegates voted to increase the per member district assessment from \$26 to \$29, to take effect for the 2014-15 budget year. UUCD was honored as the PCD congregation that had added the most new members in the past year.

3. Jack Whitsett summarized the Program Council meeting of April 22, attended by thirty UUCD leaders. Suzanne Kimmel took the minutes. Highlights of the meeting: Judy Moores introduced the new chalice. Cath Bleyer explained the necessity for group leaders to ensure tighter building security. Barbara Ashby reported that the Pastoral Care Network has several openings for neighborhood leaders. Jack Whitsett commended Rich Bradley and his son-in-law, Alexander Myhill for their work in setting up our new audiovisual system; next step is training others to use it. Virginia Thigpen reported several safety improvements, including more motion-sensitive lights in the parking lots and intercoms for the offices.
4. Marty West proposed scheduling the orientation for new Board members for the next Board meeting, June 10, setting aside 45 minutes for the orientation. Everyone agreed that this would be a good way to welcome the new members and familiarize them with how the Board meetings are run. Ann Halsted will have updated Board binder s or discs ready for the June 10 meeting.

Closing Activities

1. Review next Board meeting agenda and calendar. Next meeting is June 10 and there is no meeting scheduled for July. Annual Membership Meeting May 19, 11:30 am.
2. Joyce Takahashi gave the meeting evaluation.
3. Annie Gonzalez gave the closing reading.
4. The meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Submitted by Liz Leahy