

MINUTES: February 10, 2014

Unitarian Universalist Church of Davis Board of Trustees

Board Members present: Marty West, Chair; George Hubert; Hiram Jackson; Joyce Takahashi; Ramon Urbano; Ann-Catrin Van. **Members absent:** Lisa Baker. **Others present:** Beth Banks, Senior Minister; Caitlin Cotter, Intern/Campus Minister; Ann Halsted, Operations Co-Chair; Carol Corbett, Generosity Committee; Jack Whitsett.

Opening Activities

Chair Marty West called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. She then lit the Chalice and gave a personal reflection. Vice Chair Ramon Urbano read the Board Covenant. Approval of the Agenda was by Board consensus. There was no congregational input.

Announcements

Caitlin Cotter gave an update on the events planned for "Give Yourself Away Day", Feb. 15, as well as the progress being made on the "Hands, Hearts, Open Minds" video to be shown in the Feb. 16 church service. Ramon Urbano reported that we are allowed six delegates for the District Assembly in Sacramento, April 25-27. He will be asking folks to apply by the March 10 Board Meeting so that they may be approved by the Board.

Consent Agenda

Approval of the Minutes for the January, 13, 2014 Board Meeting.

George Hubert moved approval. Ann-Catrin-Van seconded. Passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action Items

1. Carol Corbett, co-chair of Generosity, gave an update on the Generosity Campaign. She reported that the Generosity Committee felt encouraged with a pledge increase to date of close to 7 %, even though it fell short of the target goal of 10%. A 10% increase would allow us to hire a part-time assistant minister, as well as fund the \$10,000 increase in our mortgage payment.
2. Operations Co-chair Ann Halsted explained the proposed revision of the Facilities Rental Policy to delegate the setting of rental rates to the Operations Co-Chairs in collaboration with the Congregational Administrator. Motion to adopt: George Hubert. Seconded: Ann-Catrin Van. Passed unanimously.
3. Ann Halsted presented the revision of the UUCD Retirement Plan. The proposed motion to adopt the 2014 Restatement of the Unitarian Universalist Organizations Retirement Plan and 2014 Employer Participation Agreement is to bring UUCD in compliance with the UUA revisions of the Retirement Plan. Motion to adopt: Ann-Catrin Van. Seconded: George Hubert. Passed unanimously.
4. There was no finance report due to the absence of Stacie Frerichs, Finance Officer.
5. Marty West and Beth Banks reported on the highlights of their January week-long IAF training in Berkeley. IAF assists congregations in community organizing. Their process includes three stages: (1)

organizing within a congregation, using one-on-one conversations and small groups; (2) organizing within the community by bringing like-minded groups together to form a community organizing committee; (3) developing action plans around issues of concern in the community. Beth and Marty attended an “action” held by the Marin Organizing Committee: a meeting of 200 people from 20 community organizations focused on training volunteers to help Marin County undocumented folks obtain California drivers licenses in January 2015.

Closing Activities

1. The next Board Meeting will be March 10. The agenda will include the approval of delegates for the District Assembly and the financial report.
2. Ramon Urbano gave the meeting evaluation. Beth Banks gave the closing reading.
3. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10. The Board then went into Executive Session.

Submitted by Liz Leahy, Board Secretary