January 20, 2014 UUFEC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

<u>Attending:</u> Jane Park, Jennifer Conroy, Don Hawkins, Kathy Roniger. Rece Howley, Beth Madrigal Reindl, Jane Montgomery, John Drury, Josh Ashley, Karen Lauer, Rod Debs <u>Absent:</u> Miriam Williams, Don Harrison <u>Guests:</u> Chris Larson, Marie-Claude Bohler, Dar Kayuha, Deborah Bruning

<u>Opening</u>: A reading by Rod Debs and a Check-in.

<u>Agenda Review:</u> Jane Park stated that agendas and financials will be sent out at least 4 days prior to future board meetings. November and December 2013 minutes were read silently after which amendments and corrections were made. The board agreed that an electronic vote would take place after amended minutes were sent via email. The November minutes are to be delayed pending a decision on whether or not to attach the conflict resolution letter from the Rev. Julie Kain of Pensacola. The November minutes made reference to a letter from UUA consultant Connie Goodbread and Maggie Lovins. Board members and Deborah Bruning asked for a copy of the letter.

Committee Reports:

Acting DRE Beth stated there has been record attendance of kids & youth and she was pleased by the many good volunteers in the congregation. Jane Park stated that Don Harrison has agreed to be the new Religious Exploration Chair.

<u>Search committee</u> member, Jennifer Conroy stated that the committee continues to interview candidates for the Director of Religious Exploration (DRE) position. Jane Park is no longer a member of the search committee to avoid any appearance of conflict of interest. Jennifer states that the committee's recommendation will come soon, so the board agreed to an electronic vote on this issue.

<u>Program Council</u> Chair, Josh Ashley stated that Green Hour is off the schedule for the time being and that a Young Adult Group is being considered.

Jane Montgomery asked how the Membership list is being updated and announced when changes are made. She suggests that a notice be placed in Wick when a revised version is available. Deborah Bruning asked how some youth are listed as members and some are not, and how members are removed from membership. Marie-Claude Bohler, a member of Membership Committee explained about signing the book and other functions of the committee.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Beth Madrigal-Reindl, our new treasurer states that our expenses are \$959 per month more than income, however income projections for January are good. She sees some line items where expenses could be cut. She also states that there are quirks in QuickBooks that have not been ironed out. Jane Park stated that we will have a serious conversation about how to fix financials in future meetings.

Committee	Chair(s)	Liaison
Endowment	Judy Byrne-Riley	Don Hawkins
Communications	Beth Reindl & Miriam	John Drury
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Facilities	Fred Boyer	Don Hawkins
Finance	Elizabeth Ashley	Beth Reindl
Food, Fun & Fellowship	Jeannette Debs	Rece Howley
Membership	Shar Farley*	Jane Montgomery
Religious Exploration	Don Harrison	Jennifer Conroy
Program Council	Josh Ashley	Josh Ashley
Religious Services	John Lindegren	Needs liaison
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Board Liaisons:

* In late January, Jane appointed Denny Lauer as the new chair.

Jane Park states that meetings are to be held the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:30pm. A Board retreat is scheduled for February 15th from 10:00am to 4:00pm at her home. No official business will be decided at this meeting. The next Board meeting is February 17th, with reports and minutes due by February 13th.

<u>Minister's Report</u>: There is a workshop in Birmingham, AL this weekend called Faith Development Summit, cost \$35 and will end by 3:30pm. There is an offer by UUSC's Maxine Neal to do the service on February 2nd called "Economic Justice". Further information is on the UUA website. Rod & Jeannette will take personal time from March 2nd thru the 9th and will not be in town. Rod is working with Micah Krider to create a Google Calendar (googlecalendar@UUFEC.com) to be printed and posted in the Fellowship building. The Caring Circle need more to sign up through Miriam Williams This is an ongoing blog that keeps up with the status of our ailing members. Gary is no longer in

prison, but has been moved to a state hospital, address unknown at this time.

Jane Park asked three members (Jennifer Conroy, John Drury and Rece Howley to talk about their ideas on how to make a Caring Circle work at the scheduled Board retreat.

Karen Lauer needs someone to handle the after-service snacks and has created a list to help accommodate this task. Guest, Chris Larson volunteered for this assignment.

<u>Closing</u>: Rod read a closing by Antoine de Saint-Exupery.