

UUFEC Board of Directors Meeting January 18, 2010

Board President, Denny Lauer, called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Board members in attendance were: Ed Farley , Don Harrison, Chris Larson, Denny Lauer, Karen Lauer, Jane Montgomery, Scotty Zilinsky and ex-Officio member Rev. Rod Debs.

Board members absent were: Diane Gibson, Micah Krider, Elena Roser and Millie Williams

Rod read a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King to begin the meeting. Each board member in attendance introduced his/her self and stated their areas of service to the fellowship.

Approval of Minutes:

Three changes were made to the December Board minutes:

- 1) Moving Ed Farley's name from the list of those not in attendance to the list of attendees.
- 2) Moving Jane Montgomery's name from the list of attendees to the list of those not in attendance.
- 3) Correcting the spelling of Gacic.

A motion for approval of December Board minutes was made and seconded (Farley/Harrison). Vote was unanimous to accept the minutes, as amended.

Report from Finance Committee/Treasurer's Report

Ed Farley provided the following report:

Current conditions as of 01/16/10 are as follows:

Checking Account Balance	\$10,651
Savings Account Balance	\$ 9,038
CD1 Balance	\$5025
CD2 Balance	\$5983
Mortgage Loan Balance	\$89,224
30K Line of Credit	\$0

Report from Congregational Ministry Committee (CMC) :

Denny Lauer stated that one of the nominees to fill the empty committee position had declined; he took an action to find out the status of bringing the CMC to becoming fully staffed. Regarding the standing committee self assessment (approved at the October 2009 board meeting), Rod stated that the first step to proceeding with this action is to collect each committee's mission statement. Since it was not clear if each committee had a clearly defined mission statement, Denny suggested that the CMC convene committee chairpersons to 1) find out what the situation is, and 2) provide guidance to the committees for the self assessment process.

Report from Finance Committee

Ed presented the UUFEC Budget worksheet showing the 2009-10 actual plus estimated, the 2009-2010 budget and the 2010-11 mission budget. In summary, he stated that 2009 -10 actuals are headed for an approximate \$5000. deficit because some people are behind with their pledges. He is sending reminder notes to those people. Chris Larson moved that the mortgage be paid down with some of the money being held in Certificates of Deposits. There was no second and the board members agreed that this was a matter to be handled by the Finance Committee. Ed is taking this suggestion to the Finance Committee. Plans for the upcoming canvassing activities were discussed.

Minister's Report:

Rod reported that seniors in our fellowship need to be remembered and Doris Berg, in particular, likes to have visitors. He reported that he is mentoring a new minister in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is involved with a study group at Northwest Florida State College. Rod informed the group that UU wide long distance learning is available on the web with a current topic being the History of Covenants. He indicated that the fellowship's focus in February will be stewardship. Further, he stated that a leadership training workshop [to be taught by District Executive Director Eunice Benton, is to be scheduled.

Other Business

President Denny Lauer requested that each board member serve as a liaison to a UUFEC committee. Assignments were made and are:

Facilitators – Karen Lauer

Facilities – Chris Larson

Finance – Ed Farley

Membership - Jane Montgomery

Religious Education – Don Harrison

Service Leaders – Scotty Zilinsky

The board discussed the need for a Caring Committee or some way of getting assistance to members and friends when the need arises. The group was unable to determine a workable solution to this problem, so Denny took the action to research ways that other churches have used to establish a caring social network.

Karen stated that there are still Sundays that do not have someone assigned to bring snacks and asked other board members to help fill that void.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Montgomery, UUFEC Board Secretary