

UUFEC Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes July 16, 2018

Attendees:

Officers:

President	Gil Brown
Vice President	Julie Winfree
Treasurer	John Holt
Past President	Josh Ashley
Secretary	Jan Mullins

Members-at-large

2018	Winky Sweet
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(absent: Amanda Piburn)

Invited speakers: None

Quorum: Yes

Type of Meeting: Regular

Check-in and Agenda Review

MINUTES

The June 18, 2018 minutes are accepted as approved in e-vote.

TREASURERS REPORT

See attached file

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Caring Committee; Chair: Reece Howley; Liaison: Amanda Piburn

The Caring Committee members recently helped congregants in the following ways:

- Visited them at their homes and kept in touch by phone
- Took a congregant to see an elder housing facility
- Coordinated a congregant's move from a house to an apartment
- Is assisting a congregant in acquiring VA pension benefits
- Did computer troubleshooting for a congregant
- Had meals with some elderly congregants.
- Doing address changes for a congregant
- Delivered some requested items to a congregant

(Additionally they have been very close to a congregant in hospice in NC- GB)

COM Committee; Chair: Kathy Roniger; Liaison: Josh Ashley

Did not meet

Communications Committee; Chair: Jane Park; Liaison: Julie Winfree

Communications report is basically the same as the last few months. All is still running as usual and improvements needed have not been addressed. *(President Note: Jane is referring to Developing communications policies; Getting more help with ENews; Having someone else take over as chair of Communications; Expanding into YouTube and other Social Media)*

Chris Jordan and I worked with Doak to find a place on the home page for his columns ("Notes from the Journey"). He sent his first column about a week ago. So he is connected directly to Chris and they can work together as needed.

Thanks, Jane

Facilities / Buildings & Grounds Committee; Chair: Fred Boyer; Liaison: Winky Sweet

During past 30 days, much has been accomplished. But, still much to do:

1. Lloyds of London has again agreed to insure our building for only \$2,505.38. Our coverage is for \$535,000 on building and \$65,000 for personal property. There is a \$1000 deductible. We have excluded wind and hail damage. I recommend we establish a hurricane disaster account and fund at roughly \$5,000/ year. We are covered till 7/7/2019.

The board discussed insurance issues and agreed that we have sufficient funds to use in cases of hurricane disaster and not to set up a separate fund.

2. A tree contractor trimmed all overhanging limbs and branches. His fee was \$700.

3. At least two of our members object to orientation of our monolith UUFEF sign. Indeed, while it is quite conspicuous for southbound vehicle traffic, it is not well oriented for traffic headed north. I estimate to move sign perpendicular to street, would cost \$4-6,000. I will ignore this "need" unless The Board decides otherwise. **The Board agrees that nothing needs to be done at this time.**

4. On 4 July, volunteers harvested \$219 for a military cause (*Presidents Addendum: Healing Paws For Warriors, helping wounded veterans*) with use of our parking lot. Perhaps, our RE program could consider as a future fund-raiser.

At this time, the Board prefers using this money to donate to community causes.

5. Lilly Pads has failed to pick-up/pay for 4 pews they agreed to purchase. Fred will follow-up.

6. A roofing contractor declined (again) to estimate replacement cost for 380 linear ft. of soffit. Fortunately, associated with this concern, is absence of additional rodent intrusions. (possibly, a small application of pesticide in basement has worked?) However, there are two areas of serious damage that can possibly be resolved internally. Need a volunteer or two!

The Board, agreed that many of the soffits show severe damage and that there are trees that need aggressive pruning or possibly removal to prevent further damage to the building. VP Julie will communicate further with Fred.

7. The new minister's office has been roughly configured to his request.

8. On 15 July, a second hour feedback session discussed Russell & Robin Preston's interest in our vacant quarter acre lot 37. Five congregation members, Fred and Gil, looked at the lot, walking the property line and then discussed what to do with the property. All Five of the participating members said not to sell the property and then brainstormed possibilities for the land. The Board would like to investigate the use of solar panels on our building. **VP, Julie will contact the Democratic Solar Cooperative, to explore this option.** The Board will also attempt to take advantage of the generous offers from this group to volunteer with various projects around the church.

IN PEACE! Fred B. Chair, UUFEF Bldg & Grounds

Finance Committee; Chair: Elisabeth Ashley; Liaison: John Holt

Did not meet

Food Fun & Fellowship Committee; Chair: Jan Mullins; Liaison: Jan Mullins

Working on the Welcome celebration of our new minister. Jan will work on a welcoming sign for Doak and Peggy. Gil will get balloons. John will get a cake. This event is August 2 at 6:00.

Successful July 4 celebration and Parking lot rental. Gil is working to get a letter thanking residents for their donations, put in the local papers.

Sunday snacks question. Can we continue with the alphabet driven sign-ups? Yes! Jan will work on improvements.

Membership Committee; Chair: Jane Park; Liaison: Amanda Piburn

No report submitted. Jane is new chairperson.

Religious Exploration Committee; Chair: Amy Weisburg; Liaison: Jan Mullins

No formal report. Meeting will be taking place, this coming Thurs, July 19.

Amy Weisburg has agreed to be chair for the summer months and then Sheena Guthrie will consider taking over in the fall.

Religious Services Committee; Brian O'Connell Chair; Liaison: Winky Sweet

RSC COMMITTEE discussed the following at our last meeting:

- Brian O'Connell is the new chair.
- We have speakers lined up through August
- Out of the box summer curriculum going well.
- We are gradually making changes to our Sunday Morning Service Structure. Announcements now are made by the service leader. Changes to Joys, Milestones and Concerns is being explored with Doak.

Endowment Committee: Chair Judy Byrne Riley; Liaison: Josh

No report submitted

Endowment members:

Interim member, John Holt – for position ending in 2021

Interim member, Josh Ashley – for position ending in 2022

Judy Byrne Riley: Term ends in 2018

Stiles Thompson: Term ends in 2019

Interim member Karen Lauer: Term ends in 2020 (Karen agrees to serve on this committee.)

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Growth Team:

No report this month. Gil is planning the next meeting for Mid-August.

Bylaws Committee:

Members Julie Winfree, John Holt, and Brian O'Connell. This committee will meet July 22. John gave a brief overview of things the bylaws committee needs to be working on.

Nominating committee:

Chaired by Josh Ashley with members Winky Sweet and Sandy Fowler. Josh will look into creating more definitive policies (for board approval) to help guide the nominating committee roles and procedures.

CALENDAR

<http://www.uufec.com/wordpress/calendar/uufec-calendar/>

Our Calendar highlights upcoming helps coordinate UUFE events. Currently listed on the calendar are CODA meetings every Thurs night; Dinner Theatre on Aug 4; some 2nd hour activities, First Thurs potlucks the Welcoming dinner for Doak on Aug 2nd, and the Board meeting on the 3rd Mon of each month at 6:32 PM. We should alert committee chairs to contact Micah when they want to have something put on the calendar; or they can just mention Micah when sending items to Announce@UUFE.org

OLD BUSINESS

One Hopeful Place

Update on possibly changing one of our Sundays to fund them. The board reviewed a letter from FWB S&C to John Holt. Much discussion occurred about allocation of our Sunday Cash Offering.

**Josh made a motion to change the sharing the plate from FWB Sharing and Caring to One Hopeful place. Winky seconded the motion and it was passed by the board.*

October Congregational Meeting

Planned for Oct 28. This meeting was announced at the spring Congregational Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was submitted

Next Board Meeting: Aug, 20, 6:32 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Jan Mullins