

**Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Emerald Coast
Minutes of the Board Meeting January 10, 2011**

Call to Order

President Denny Lauer called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM. Members also in attendance were: Ed Farley, Diane Gibson, Don Harrison, Micah Krider, Karen Lauer, Chris Larson, Kathy Roniger, Sandra Topp, Scotty Zilinsky, and Ex-Officio Member Rod Debs.

Minister Focus

Diane Gibson performed the chalice lighting and Reverend Debs began the meeting with a reading.

Review Agenda

Denny reviewed present and new members, monthly meeting schedule and some responsibilities of the Board. Work on 2011-2012 budget begins (01 May 2011-30 April 2012). Late Feb. fundraising begins till end of April. It was acknowledged by Denny that the auto accident of Dec. 29, 2010 that affected the rear of the building was not an agenda item yet.

Review Minutes of December Meeting

Adjournment time was corrected to 8:30 PM. Final wording of Public speech and Posting Amendment needs to be included. Suggestions were made for better transmission thru email. Minutes will be amended and registered. Minutes will be emailed within a week of meetings whenever possible.

Treasurer's Report

Ed Farley explained structure of the latest financial report. Past payroll expense discrepancy is being cleared; the \$3,500 figure had been double counted under two categories. Denny suggested adding another line item to note apparent surplus caused by early pledge payments. Sharing the Plate activity is working well to also accrue more funds for UUFE. Denny said line items may be needed for upkeep, etc. on the property for possible acquisition, as budget projections. Ed said Chair of Finance Comm. would like another line item for Reserve.

Rod's salary has been "averaged out" to a correct level after a few years' fluctuations. It was noted that RE did very much better than expected thru unexpected successes in fundraising.

Committee Discussions

Committees need to look at past year, and projections, on Jan. 9 financial report, and get figures to Ed for the approaching fiscal year.

Board Committee Liaison assignments are as follows:

Finance: Ed Farley
Religious Exploration: Don Harrison
Religious Services: Scotty Zilinsky
Membership: Millie Williams
Facilities: Sandra Topp
Communications: Chris Larson
Congregational Ministry Committee: Rod Debs
Human Resources Committee and Admin: Karen Lauer
Food, Fun, and Fellowship: Diane Gibson
Social Justice Concerns: Micah Krider
Music Services: Kathy Roniger
Facilitators' Circle: Denny Lauer

Minister's Report

Rod reminded about the importance of communications with members in need or ill. Karen noted 17 baskets were sent out at Christmas.

End of Feb. he'll take short fishing trip. There's an AIDS retreat coming that UUFEC could be a sponsor for thru Shirley Boughton.

Dates for UUA events in 2012 were noted:

June 22--GA in North Carolina

Apr 1-3--Mid-South District GA

Fall--Healthy Congregations

We have financed an individual to go to leadership school at The Mountain this year.

Closing

Chris Larson extinguished the chalice, Rod provided a reading. Adjournment was at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Gibson, UUFEC Board Secretary