

# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Emerald Coast Board Meeting Minutes for May 21, 2012

## **Call to order**

President Micah Krider called the meeting to order at 6:44 pm. Also present were Ed Farley, Scotty Zilinsky, Millie Williams, Denny Lauer, Diane Gibson, Sandra Topp, Derek Reding, Ex-Officio Member Rod Debs, and guest Darrell Bruning.

## **Review of Meeting Agenda**

No changes were made to the written agenda.

## **Review of April Minutes**

The April Board Meeting minutes and the April Congregational Meeting minutes were reviewed. Diane Gibson made a motion, seconded by Scotty Zilinsky, to accept both minutes as written. The minutes were unanimously approved by the board.

## **Finance Report**

Ed Farley gave the financial report. The total income for fiscal year 2011-2012 was \$146,526. Total expenses for the last FY was \$145,864 or \$863 less than total income.

FY12 pledge income is approximately \$13,000 less than projected. There are some members who have paid their FY12 pledge late and those funds will be displayed in the FY13 budget.

Insurance cost was higher than budgeted at \$6,009. There is more money, \$6,800, allocated for insurance for fiscal year 2012-2013. Our carrier will not be renewing and Fred Boyer is leading the effort to find a replacement by mid July when our policy ends.

No background checks were done last year on RE staff. Yearly background checks for all staff working with children is required by some insurance companies. Micah also stated that yearly background checks is part of the policy outlined in the Safe Congregation Handbook. A task force was formed to ensure background checks are completed this year.

Approximately \$7000 is remaining in insurance payout money. This can be used for approved projects.

\$2,814 in Emergency Assistance was taken in for the fiscal year. Less money was spent. The unspent money will roll over to the Emergency Assistance Fund for the next fiscal year.

## **Memorial Garden Dedication**

The Memorial Garden Dedication ceremony will be on October 21, 2012. Orders for inscribed bricks will begin over the summer. The inscribed bricks and the ceremony will be advertised in the Wick.

## **Playground Update**

Micah Krider gave a playground update. Both Briggs and Micah have been very busy for the past few weeks. Work on the playground will resume soon.

### **Safe Congregation**

The board discussed the UUFEC safe congregational handbook. It is a policy for dealing with abuse or mistreatment of children within the congregation, meeting the scope set forth by the UUA. Denny Lauer made a motion seconded by Ed Farley to accept the Safe Congregation Handbook as written. This was approved by the board with 6 yeas, 2 abstentions and no nays.

Also discussed were the appropriate methods for the congregation's dealing with threats to adults. This concern is being addressed jointly by the CMC and the board.

### **Personnel/Leadership Development Team**

Denny Lauer stated that the leadership development team is in the process of finding replacement board members and a new board secretary.

### **Closing**

Rod Debs gave a reading.

### **June Meeting Date**

The meeting was adjourned by Micah Krider at 7:59 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 6/18/12 at 6:37pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandra Topp, UUFEC Board Secretary