



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
Unity Temple Community Center
6:30 PM, September 10th, 2019

AGENDA

UTUUC Board of Trustees Meeting

September 10th, 2019 – Unity Temple Community Center - 6:30 pm

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST LEADER'S PRAYER

With gratitude and grace we lead forward to answer the call of our faith, we move happily together into the unknown, we open ourselves to growth, we go forth to begin the change to our corner of the world, we covenant together to transform the world through love and we are moved by the Spirit to accomplish good works with compassion and love for all.

- Kirk Bogue

Centering	Alan	6:30pm
Staff Salaries and Credit Card Processing Fee	Nile	6:40pm
2020 Preliminary Budget	Elizabeth	7:15pm
Consent Agenda	A-Team	8:00pm
New Business	BoT	8:30pm
Adjourn		

Attendance

- Erik Wise, Dave Willard, Karen Haskins-Brewer, Teresa Powell, Elizabeth Plummer, Julie Willoughby, Willa Shultz, Alan Taylor, Kimberly Brumirski, Emily Gage, Tina Lewis, Nile Wendorf
- The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Centering - provided by Alan Taylor

- Reflection On Coming Back From Sabbatical

Credit Card Processing Fee - Nile

- A little more than \$3000 spent on credit card fee
- Options
 - Continue to absorb the cost (no change)
 - Mandatory payment – legal requirement to do this
 - Opt in, or opt out – notification for each one.
- 2nd and 3rd option require payment software change (we can turn it on or off but not yet the option for opt in or out)
- Auction is buying new software that can be leveraged and can do this but not in place yet
- Realm may have capability, but no one has checked yet
- Nile is concerned with the timing of making change now so soon before the pledge drive and the finance recommend studying it more

2020 preliminary budget – Elizabeth Plummer

- Presented a month earlier than typically because of the concern around 2 years of deficit budget and also staff salary increases
- Previous year asked for 5% increase in pledges and we exceeded that by \$3000
- One of the decisions is moving money from reserves to operating budget to cover deficit
- Ideally reserves would cover 6 months of operating budget. Currently it covers 3 to 4 months
- Some increase is for UUA and MidAmerica Region

Consent Agenda A Team

- Terry moved approve the consent agenda – Stephanie second, unanimous

New Business

- New Members Welcome Sunday and dinner (Tina)
- Dave to send out a Retreat Doodle / Topic Brainstorm (Dave) – Retreat will be 4 hours
 - Preplanning activities
 - Plan for annual meeting
- Ministerial Contracts - Kimberly and Karen are working on this
- Membership class BOT representation – Tina says typically the board decides who is available to speak and informs her.
- Welcoming All - Willa reported kickoff went well
- Theresa gave update on nominating committee – deadline is 10/10 to get nomination posted. They have more than 3 that will be narrowed down to 3
- Tina – new member table will henceforth be known as the “Connections Table”

Executive Session

- Erik moved to enter executive session – Dave second, unanimous
- Erik moved to exit executive session – Terry second, unanimous

Adjourn

- Terry motion to adjourn – Terry second, unanimous
- Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Erik Wise