

Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation FINAL

Board of Trustees Minutes, Tuesday, 9-17-24 6:00 PM

Via Zoom

1. Called to order at 6:04 pm by Susan Urban

Attending: Susan Urban, Jill Malin, Martin Steindler, and Andrea Stader

Absent: None

Others Attending: Phil Lund, Sue Fortin, Christie Wagner

2. Opening words and Chalice Lighting by Susan Urban

3. Meeting with Phil Lund

Phil Lund gave a presentation from the UUA about the possibility of hiring a part time minister. An Interim Minister is limited to two years. A Part-time Developmental Minister under Contract might be hired up to 7 years at the most. It is recommended we do a UUA Search for a minister. Some of the tasks might include developmental tasks, worship, outreach, Ministering Social Justice, Education, Administering, and connections to local community. It was suggested that we focus on a few tasks we see important for the Congregation. The things we see necessary would be spelled out in Ministerial Contract. We thanked him for his time speaking to us and continued our meeting so he could leave early.

4. Open Forum: None

5. Approval of Agenda: Moved by Andrea Stader, seconded by Martin Steindler. Motion approved.

6. Approval of 8-13-24 MUUC BOT Meeting minutes: Moved by Martin Steindler, seconded by Susan Urban. Motion approved.

7.a. Treasurer's Report given by Jill Malin

Credits, Debits, and Balances for December

Incoming: \$2120.20 Outgoing: \$3551.16 Balances: \$2959.97Checking

b. Approval of Treasurer's Report: Martin Steindler made a motion to approve, seconded by Sue Urban. Motion approved.

c. Jill will send a FICA Payroll Quarterly Report by October 4, 2024. The reports will go in each quarter.

8. Old Business

a. Update of Surety Bond for those members that have access to MUUC Funds.

Martin reported last meeting that they wanted 14 % of the monies to be bonded. There is approximately \$380,000 and \$30,000 in CD's that would be subject to the 14% of the sum. The BOT believed it was not cost effective. Jill Malin, Treasurer, is the only one who can write checks and oversee the funds. Other members that are allowed to see the accounts are Teri Rockwood and Mari Maki to serve as a source of checks and balances for the funds.

It was moved by Martin Steindler, seconded by Sue Urban, that the Administrative Assistant, Sue Fortin, be put on the Nicolet Bank Accounts to look at and make an inspection of the accounts. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Update on Website. Christie and Sue have conferred on the update of the website and agreed that it will be best to post hiring a Webmaster make and a new website and post it to the MUUC URL.

c. The next regular Monthly MUUC BOT meeting will be October 15, 2024 at 6:00 pm EST via Zoom.

d. Service Schedule/Events and comments:

i. The September 15 Homecoming. We for an in person service we met at the Women's Federation Clubhouse. The homecoming service was an opportunity to celebrate our new Congregational life that included the traditional Water Communion. Our Celebrant for this event was Rev. Suzanne Wasilcczuk from Minnesota. There were 19 people attending with one on Zoom. There was a concern by Mari Maki that she would like to share joys and concerns during the meeting but the current set up did not allow it. This will be looked at to see how to remedy the situation.

ii. September 22- Service with Rev. Alice Diebel at the Michigan UU Triangle Retreat: "Spirituality, Community, and You", with Petoskey and

Bay de Noc UUs at the Garden Grove Retreat. The service will be zoomed via the Petoskey Link for those who cannot make the Retreat. The Retreat runs from September 20-22 at the Garden Grove Center.

iii. In-person meetings at the Women's Federation Clubhouse in Marquette will be held on the 4th Sunday of the month:

October 27, 2024

November 24, 2024

January 26, 2025

February 23, 2025

March 23, 2025

April 27, 2025

May 25, 2025

June 22, 2025

July 27, 2025

August 24, 2025

September 28, 2025

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8. New Business

a. New suggestions where to place online posts to publicize the Congregation were discussed.

b. Next meeting we will work on Ministers tasks we would like our congregation.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm EST. Motion was made Susan Urban, seconded by Martin Steindler .

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Stader