

## MINUTES

UUCWI BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING -- Sept. 12, 2007

Present: Frank A, Baird B, Lois C, Mary G, Kit Ketcham, Paula K, Pat L, Camille L.

Minutes;

Baird called the meeting together at 9:00 a.m. at Trinity, lit the chalice, and did the opening reading. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Baird reported that a \$250,000.00 loan from the UUA has been given to our UU congregation to help in building our church. We also need a commercial construction loan from the bank. Kathleen is doing a good job of working on obtaining this and will have the loan soon.

Discussion of the UUCWI Bylaws was held. The Bylaws were last updated in 2003. Updating the Bylaws at this time needs to be voted on at a special meeting of the congregation. Mary proposed that we hold the special congregational meeting on October 14, 2007, and Frank seconded it. Motion approved.

Discussion was held that Mavis has resigned as the church coordinator effective September 30, 2007. The position is for quarter time, paid at \$550.00 per month. This position will be advertised in the South Whidbey Record. A job description needs to be written by Kathleen and Mavis for this position. The position will be changed from Church Coordinator to Church Administrator.

Reports:

MINISTER'S REPORT was accepted as written. Kit also announced the 4th Annual Interfaith Vigil that was taking place on Saturday.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE: Baird reported that we have had precious few members helping on the land. The Sweat Equity signup is a \$50,000.00 budget item. Tim K is the volunteer coordinator of the building project. Matt Hoar is the truss builder. Before Sept. 20th Tim will contact the Sweat Equity people for the first project which is sanding the beams. The opportunity to pledge sweat equity will be provided by a sweat equity pledge form.

MEMBERSHIP or STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE: Lois reported that an article will be in the October Newsletter. Lois suggested that we should have a "membership renewal card" updated each year with a place for the amount of the pledge for each member. Kit wasn't sure this would be a "welcoming act," but we do need an active way to resign commitments. Perhaps signing a new pledge card at the beginning of the fiscal year would be better. 66 people in the congregation call themselves members. The average amount pledged is \$694.00 per year. 52 members have pledged at this time for an average of \$838.00 per year. Pledge cards for this year might have been kept in a more organized fashion. Toyon has the list of members and the pledge cards. A Membership Survey/Pledge Card is a good idea for keeping better records of pledges and members.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS PRESENTED:

Caring Connections – No report.

Social Action Committee: Tom B does not want to be the chair of this committee. Tom does need to call a meeting of those who are interested in Global Warming.

CRE Committee: This committee met. The committee prefers to be known as the RE (Religious Education) Committee instead of the CRE Committee.

Camille so moved this motion and Pat seconded it. Motion passed. Adult Programs are being co-chaired by Sally and Joan and they are working on possible programs to be presented. Lori W has requested to be on this committee. Paula reported that the Spirit Program is really going great – that the money just keeps pouring in.

Worship Committee: Frank reported that the programs are planned for the year. It was suggested that the Lay Leader be called the Worship Leader instead.

Music Committee: Frank reported that a meeting had been held recently.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The transition between Leah to Toyon as bookkeeper has been completed. This is now a \$2,000.00 in-kind contribution from Toyon.

Kathleen is working on getting the building loan.

Tom is responsible for and the liaison to the Building Committee.

Roy is the project manager. Neither Tom nor Roy is able to sign checks.

Lois reminded the board that the IDEAS DVD's should be passed around so that all members are able to watch this.

Association Sunday is a special day of public awareness of what UUA is about. Association Sunday will be held on October 28th. There should be an article in the South Whidbey Times about this.

Discussion was held as to how to use the information the people gathered who attended the General Assembly. Attending were Terri A and Tom B, Dave and Mavis C, Kit Ketchum, Lois C, Dan and Lois A, Nola and Frank A, and Bill G and Francie W.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat L