

# *UUCGT Board of Trustees Minutes*

## *Sept 18, 2017*

President Karl Love convened the meeting at 5:30 PM. Board members: Karl Love, Mike McDonald, Kay Sturgeon, Don Pyne, Laura Matchett and Linda Fletcher were present. Tom Darton was absent.

Congregational members present were: Lauren Keinath, Karl Keinath, Rick Walter, Lynnette Rhodes, Jan Zerbel, and Karen Mars.

The Board Covenant was read by the Board members. Laura Matchett gave the opening reading.

The Agenda was approved with the addition of one item, a report on the UUCGT Book Sale.

The motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Kay and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. The motion passed by voice vote.

Lauren Keinath made a presentation on reestablishing a Landscape Committee. A motion was made by Mike to accept the report as presented to the Board and to charge Lauren with executing the formation of the new Landscape Committee and proceeding with the planning phase of the committees work. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kay who offered to see that the funding mechanism of the committee would be established. The motion passed.

The LDC policy motion tabled in June was withdrawn and has been referred back to the Policy Committee. We are asking them, through Tom Darton board liaison to the Policy Committee, to meet with the LDC and bring back to the Board their alternatives for LDC policy for our approval. We would like to receive the Policy Committees minutes the Wednesday prior to the October board meeting, and would like to know whom the Policy Committee would propose to fill the vacancy(s) on their committee.

Kay made the following motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Laura to add the following policy.

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### *Policy: Prior to Year-End Surplus Funds Distribution*

*If there appears to be a year-end surplus of funds after the close of the books in May, a recommendation to the Board of Trustees for their June meeting may be made as follows:*

*In the event that during the budget year UUCGT's "fair share" dues to UUA and/or our local District have not been able to be paid, a portion of the anticipated year end surplus funds may be recommended to be paid to UUA and/or local District in June.*

The motion passed unanimously.

Karl reported on his interaction with LDC as board liaison to that committee. Karl reported that John Hoffman has been recommended for SCRT membership and that he is willing to serve on that committee. His background as a social worker makes him well qualified. Don made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda to appoint him. The motion passed.

The Democratic Party's Board of Directors has requested that they rent space for their monthly meeting on a Thursday evening. They are aware that the VE will be rehearsing in the sanctuary at that time. A motion was made by Mike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Laura that we approve the rental with the caveat that UUCGT is not associated with the Democratic Party and this should be stated on any announcements of meetings by them at our building. The motion passed.

A member of UUCGT has requested that the group Indivisible be allowed to meet in our building rent-free. After some discussion a motion was made by Kay, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda that they may rent space on a "donation" basis for a period of three months at which time the board will review this arraignment. The motion was passed.

Linda brought up the topic of support for and scheduling of a Christmas Eve service at the State Theater. Kay pointed out that it is the board's responsibility to approve of any changes in the scheduling of services. This led to two motions. The first made by Lauren and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda was that the Thanksgiving service held at Twin Lakes camp will be held at 11:00 AM November 19<sup>th</sup>, with a brief social period following, and that the lunch will be served at noon. The motion passed. The second motion made by Kay and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Laura was that since Christmas Eve falls on Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup> the board would approve canceling the normal Sunday AM service, approve the Christmas Eve service at the State Theater, and have no Christmas service on Monday December 25, if this is approved by the Sunday Services Committee. The motion passed.

Kay and Karl reported that the Staff Resources Committee is working on revising Chava's Letter of Call terms and is making progress on job descriptions for the positions of DLE and Music Director.

A motion was made by Kay, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don to: Hold a special Congregational Meeting on October 29, 2017 after that Sunday Service to vote on the approval of the UUA Declaration of Conscience. The motion passed.

Karl reported that the UUCGT book sale held on August 24-26, 2017 was a success and that \$565.92 was raised. Thank you Joann Rosi and Cynthia Brzak organizers!!

Mike will do the opening reading at the September Board meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Respectively Submitted,

Donald Pyne Board Secretary