

Unitarian Universalist Society of Iowa City
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting – May 8th, 2014
MINUTES

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Board Members present: Diane Martin (President), Vicki Siefers (Vice-President), Chris Taylor (Secretary), Adam Ingersoll (Treasurer), Sally Hartman (Past President), Pete Brokaw (Finance Trustee), Mary McMurray (Trustee), Paul Pomrehn (Trustee), Kirk Witzberger (Trustee)

Board Members absent: None

Ex Officio present: Rev. Steven Protzman (Minister)

Ex Officio absent: Lois Cole (Director, LRE)

Guests: Gary Lawrenson, Deb Schoelerman, Kelly O'berry

Call to Order: Diane Martin called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. in the UUSIC Henriksen Library and Rev. Steven Protzman provided opening words.

Check-in: All

Consent Agenda

Protzman requested that a closed session be added to the end of the agenda and Adam Ingersoll elevated the Treasurer's Report for discussion.

Motion: Moved by Pete Brokaw and seconded to accept the consent agenda as amended.

Motion carried.

Report: Treasurer's Report

Board members discussed recent trends in income and projected expenses, including the new DLRE and maintaining the Society's buildings.

Action and Discussion Items:

Report: Building and Grounds Committee

Member Deb Schoelerman presented the Board with a proposal to replace 41 light bulbs in the Society's buildings with LED versions. It was noted that such bulbs will be much more cost-effective in the long run and can be considered an investment.

Motion: Moved by Brokaw and seconded to approve Building and Grounds' request for the purchase of 41 LED bulbs and to pay for them from the Memorial Fund. **Motion carried.**

Member Gary Lawrenson briefed the Board on the condition of the Worthley Building roof and requested that a professional roofer be contracted to provide medium-term repairs.

Motion: Moved by Ingersoll and seconded to authorize spending up to \$10,000 to Yoder

Construction of Kalona for roof repair, to be paid from building reserves and cash reserves.

Motion to Amend: Moved by Ingersoll and seconded to amend the main motion to include “pending proof of contractor's insurance”. **Motion carried; main motion so amended.**

Main motion carried.

Report: CCLAM

Member Kelly O'berry presented the Board with an update on the activities of CCLAM and with an updated mission statement for same.

Motion: Moved by Brokaw and seconded to extend discussion by ten minutes. **Motion carried.**

Motion: Moved by Protzman and seconded to approve CCLAM's new mission statement. **Motion carried.**

Report: UUA Changes to Pension Plan

Ingersoll guided the Board through the effects the new plan will have on the Society's budget and made some recommendations for its implementation.

Motion: Moved by Brokaw and seconded to extend discussion by ten minutes. **Motion carried.**

No additional action was taken, pending further information from the UUA.

RECESS – 10 minutes

Appointment to Staff Relations Committee

Motion: Moved by Chris Taylor and seconded to appoint Nancy Noyer to the Staff Relations Committee, effective immediately. **Motion carried.**

Hiring of Summer Accompanist

Motion: Moved by Vicki Siefers and seconded to hire Jonathan Tauscheck as the Society's summer accompanist. **Motion carried.**

Report: Facilities Steering Committee

Kirk Witzberger briefed the Board on the activities of the Facilities Steering Committee, especially the recent congregational forums and the renaming of the 10 S. Gilbert subcommittee to the Block 44 subcommittee.

Policy, Final Reading: Social Justice Action Fund Oversight Committee

Motion: Moved by Protzman and seconded to adopt the policy as written. **Motion carried.**

Announcements

DLRE Lois Cole will be honored for her work on Sunday, May 18th, between services.

The regular Board meeting on June 12th will be held at President Diane Martin's house, and will be preceded by a potluck dinner.

Closed Session

Motion: Moved by Brokaw and seconded to enter into a closed session to discuss an ongoing personnel issue. **Motion carried;** Board entered closed session at 9:25 p.m.

Motion: Moved by Taylor and seconded to adjourn to open session. **Motion carried;** Board adjourned to open session at 10:57 p.m.

Adjournment

Brokaw moved to **adjourn** at 10:58 p.m. **Motion carried;** meeting was adjourned.

Recorded on May 8th, 2014, by Chris Taylor, Secretary