

**Unitarian Universalist Society of Iowa City
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting – December 18th, 2014
MINUTES**

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Board Members present: Vicki Siefers (President), Jim Olson (Vice-President), Chris Taylor (Secretary), Adam Ingersoll (Treasurer), Diane Martin (Past-President), Pete Brokaw (Finance Trustee), Mary McMurray (Trustee), Kirk Witzberger (Trustee), Kari Yorek (Trustee)

Board Members absent: None

Ex Officio present: Rev. Steven Protzman (Minister), Jessica Zimmer-Saltzman (DLRE)

Ex Officio absent: None

Call to Order: Vicki Siefers called the meeting to order at 6.31 p.m. in UUSIC's Henriksen Library.

Closed Session:

Motion: Moved by Pete Brokaw and seconded to go into closed session to discuss the budget. **Motion carried.** Board entered closed session at 6:32 p.m.

Motion: Moved by Chris Taylor and seconded to adjourned to open session **Motion carried.** Board adjourned to open session at 6:58 p.m.

Consent Agenda and Green Sanctuary Policy, First Reading

Green Sanctuary Policy was elevated for discussion and given its **first reading**. The second reading will be at the regular meeting in January.

Motion: Moved by Rev. Steven Protzman to extend discussion by 5 minutes. **Motion failed for lack of second.**

Motion: Moved by Taylor and seconded to accept the consent agenda as amended. **Motion carried.**

Action and Discussion Items:

Policy, Second Reading: Weapons Policy

Policy will be resubmitted in January for a third reading, with the addition of action steps/procedures.

Policy, Second Reading: Children at Work

Motion: Moved by Mary McMurray and seconded to accept the Children at Work Policy as written. **Motion carried.**

Report: 2015 Budget

Motion: Moved by Jim Olson and seconded to approve a preliminary 2015 budget, to be finalized before the Congregational Meeting on January 26th. **Motion carried.**

Memorial Funds Request

Motion: Moved by Brokaw and seconded to purchase two planters with memorial funds. Rev. Protzman withdrew his request for funds. **Motion died, apparently.**

Motion: Moved by Kirk Witzberger and seconded to purchase \$1500 worth of computers, printers, and networking equipment, using any memorial funds earmarked for technology expenses. If no such funds exist, the money is to come from reserves. **Motion carried.**

RECESS – 10 minutes

Report: Facilities

Motion: Moved by Witzberger and seconded to set the voting threshold to be considered successful on February 1st at 85 percent of those voting. **Motion carried.**

Motion: Moved by Witzberger and seconded to approve two charges, one for the New Facilities Committee and one designating Adam Ingersoll as the Society's liaison with Neumann Monson Architects. **Motion carried; both charges were approved.**

Motion: Moved by Adam Ingersoll and seconded to approve the current Neumann Monson agreement, subject to legal review. **Motion carried.**

Guest Comments

None.

Kari Yorek offered **process observations**.

Announcements

A half-day Board retreat will be scheduled for either March 7th or March 28th.

Adjournment

Olson offered closing words and Siefers **adjourned** the meeting at 9:46 p.m.

Recorded on December 18^h, 2014, by Chris Taylor, Secretary