

1st Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit
June, 2006 Board of Trustees Meeting
June 12, 2006

The Meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm

Present: Linda Darga, Jim Harvey, Dan Wiest, Lorenza Acker, Sally Borden, Jim Brown
Mary Lou Malone, Earl Harvey, Irene Schultz, Donna Walker

Guests: Ann Harvey, Carolyn Ludwig, Jonathan Schultz, Rose LaBolle, Lee Thume
Rhonda Rodgers

3. Approval of Minutes:

The June 5 Special Board meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

The May 15, 2006 Board of Trustees meeting minutes were approved as read.

4. Treasurer's Report:

Dan Wiest submitted written Treasurer's Report for May, 2006. He pointed out that there was a deficit of \$7,000.00+ at the end of May, mainly due to paying the A.I.M.'s benefits, pension allotment which includes interest.

Dan stated that the treasury was pretty healthy because of fewer equipment failures than in previous years. He also stated that all bills have been paid on time, and that there was a \$4,000.00 insurance payment made.

Dan recommended a \$15,000.00 Line of Credit from the Trust.

Jim Brown moved, and Jim Harvey seconded, that the Board authorizes Dan Wiest to increase the Line of Credit from the Trust to \$20,000.00 to cover Rev. Heath's pension costs, to cover Summer expenses, and to be consistent with the Budget.

Motion passed.

5. Building Security

Dan Kosmowski spoke to the Board about several doors being found unlocked on Sunday, June 4, 2006. He recommended that someone be designated to confirm all doors are locked. Dan Wiest accepted the responsibility for securing all doors for the Summer Services. Back-up will be Irene Schultz.

This issue will be taken up again at the July, 2006 Board meeting.

Dan Kosmowski will give the Board members a course on door-locking procedures at the July Board meeting.

7. Summer Services

Lencha Acker submitted a written schedule of Summer Services. She briefly discussed the need for worship associates for the services, and also their duties. The need for child care was also discussed. Services begin at 10:30 am.

8. R.E. Committee

A written report from the R.E. Chair, was submitted by Carolyn Ludwig. Athena Kobe agreed to be the Interim R.E. Director for 4 months starting in August, 2006. Mary Lou inquired about criminal background check.

Jim Harvey moved that the Board express to Athena our desire to retain her services as R.E. Director for 4 months subject to her Criminal Background check clearance, with specification of point of compensation to be established following approval and review of resume and references.

Lencha Acker seconded. Motion passed.

Carolyn Ludwig said that the R.E. committee is not taking responsibility for child care for the Summer Services.

Mary Lou Malone moved and Earl Harvey seconded, that the R.E. Committee form a search committee for an R.E. Director, and also advertise for the position.

Motion passed.

Mary Lou Malone moved that the Board contact District R.E. Programs Consultant, Nancy Combs Morgan for advice about R.E. programs in transition.

Earl Harvey seconded. Motion passed.

Irene will contact the above consultant to start action. Irene will inform Margaret Wilke of the outcome.

9. Interim Search Committee Report

Mary Lou Malone said the committee has received a packet from one candidate, Committee members are contacting John Weston for recommendations.

Moderator Linda Darga expressed her belief that our congregation is in need of Conflict Resolution. Following discussion it was decided that information on Conflict Resolution resources would be gathered by June 30, 2006:

L. Darga to contact Heartland District

D. Walker to contact W.S.U's Center for Peace and Conflict Studies

J. Brown to contact private sector services

10. New Business

The issue of voting by absentee ballot was discussed. Dan Wiest will consult Robert's Rules of Order and e-mail findings to the nominating committee chair.

11. Adjournment

Lencha Acker moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Donna Walker
Board Secretary