

First Unitarian Universalist Church
Board of Trustees Meeting
August 14, 2006

Present: Linda Darga, James Harvey, Sally Borden, Mary Lou Malone,
Lencha Acker, Alicia Biggers, Earl Harvey, Irene Schultz, Donna Walker
Guests: Pat Kniel and husband, Len Zetel, Glen Maxwell, Dan Secrest,
Margaret Wilke, Dan Kosmowski, Lynda Smith.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Linda Darga at 6:36 pm.

2. Agenda was accepted as modified.
3. July, 2006 Board meeting minutes were accepted as submitted.
4. **Computer Network Control to Ethernet**

Len Zetel recommends that a designated person be responsible for a computer policy and for the computer/internet security. Sally suggested putting the proposal for this recommendation in writing. Dan Wiest suggested that it also include security of the telephone line.

5. **Lynda Smith's Ordination**

Mary Lou Malone moved and Lencha Acker seconded that First U.U. Church Board accept the responsibility to ordain Lynda Smith, Sunday, October 8, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at First U.U. Church, jointly with Northwest UU Church of Southfield, Mi. Ceremony will be jointly officiated by Rev. Kimi Riegel of NWUU and Rev. Dr. Celia Thurston, Community Minister of BUC. This also includes the endorsement of a Street Retreat done by Alex Darr of the Faithful Fools of San Francisco, Ca on Saturday, October 7, 2006.

The motion passed.

6. **Religious Education Committee Report**

Margaret Wilke reported that the contract for the Interim RE Director needs to be accepted as written. The details of the contract for Athena Kolbe were reviewed. Irene Schultz moved and Earl Harvey seconded that the contract be accepted. Motion passed.

Margaret also reported the need for a subcommittee to draw up congregational survey to determine the type of R.E. program is desired for 1st UU Church.

7. **Buldings and Grounds Report**

Earl Harvey said that the FFTF is tagging items to save/sell/scrap. It was suggested that POWER CHURCH software program could be used to store data, but EXCEL is being used. The possibility to use Power Church will be explored.

Earl Harvey moved and Dan Wiest seconded that the people who volunteered their time and effort to clean out Rev. Heath's apartment be recognized with a letter of Thanks, signed by all Board Members. Motion passed.

Irene Schultz moved, and Earl Harvey seconded that a bill for the deposit on Rev. Heath's apartment be sent to Rev. Heath if necessary, since the deposit was paid for by 1st UU Church. Motion passed.

8. Membership Committee Report

Mary Lou stated that Official Member Voter's List was e-mailed. Jim Brown, Mark Schwing should be on list. Mary Lou Malone moved and Lencha Acker seconded that Elaine Sikelianos and Carolyn Reed be added to the membership list. Motion passed.

Debate followed over need to approve additions to membership list.

Lencha moved and Earl seconded to accept the report of the Membership Committee. Friendly amendments made to add Bill Stevens and Jane F. Morgan and that Dan Secrest to have list of members who made contribution of record during current or previous year, stored on POWER CHURCH. Friendly amendment accepted. Motion passed.

9. Newsletter Disbursement and Copy Machine.

Irene Schultz said that the 1st UU Church newsletter will be sent via e-mail to all who have an e-mail address. Others will receive printed copy by U.S. mail. Wendy will have new responsibility of e-mailing newsletter to persons not on list but request a copy.

The issue of renewal of Copy Machine Contract was postponed until the next Board meeting.

Earl Harvey raised the issue of need for membership guidelines. Issue was referred to Sally Borden, chair of the Membership Committee.

10. Organization of Church Affairs

Alicia Biggers distributed Organizational Chart. Alicia moved adoption of Chart, Mary Lou seconded. Motion passed.

11. Proposal

Alicia moved and Earl seconded the adoption of Universal Health Care as 1st UU's social justice project. Motion passed.

12. Treasurer's Report

Dan Wiest submitted and briefly discussed report. Mary Lou moved to accept report. Motion passed.

13. Board of Trustees vacancy.

Linda Darga moved that member Charlene Evans be appointed as Board Trustee to fill vacancy created when Jackie M. resigned. Motion passed.

14. Worship Committee Report

Lencha Acker recommended there be a service on a 1st UU covenant and Holy Conversations, and also a service dealing with conflict resolution.

Lencha's attempt to contact Lisa Presley was unsuccessful.

Mary Lou moved to accept the Worship Committee Report. Motion passed.

15. UUA and Hartland District Dues

Earl Harvey raised question of payment. Sally Borden moved that 1st UU pay a portion of dues owed to UUA and Hartland, amount to be determined by the treasurer, Dan Wiest. Motion passed.

16. Adjournment At 9:12 pm Dan Wiest moved to Adjourn. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Board Secretary, Donna Walker

