Minutes, UUFLG Board of Trustees Meeting, April 9, 2025

This meeting of the UUFLG Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by video conference.

Present: David Voris (president) Will Kropp (vice president) Lynn Golbetz (secretary) Julie Matthews (treasurer)

Shams Cohen (minister) Donna Brewer Kathy Duncan Ross Hannibal

The board approved the minutes for the March 12, 2025, meeting as amended.

Finance

The board reviewed and approved the March financial reports. The budget continues to track at approximately break-even for the year.

Our CD is expiring at the end of the month; Julie will roll it over into another one based on what is available at the time.

Dave has obtained some information from the Endowment Committee. However, he is having difficulty getting fund valuations from UUA to update the committee's latest spreadsheet, which dates from July 2024. The committee will be meeting Sunday, and Dave and Julie plan to attend.

It was noted that where we invest money can have great impact on social action. The UUA fund does not get maximum returns but has strong social responsibility commitments.

There is no indication of a significant increase in pledges. Based on reasonable assumptions of what is still likely to come in, Julie expects a total budget of approximately \$100K. She suggests drafting two budgets for membership consideration, one status quo and one with deficit spending of perhaps \$20K. This is consistent with the membership's previous approval of two years' deficit spending.

A preliminary budget will be determined by May 10.

Building & Grounds

We are getting a quote for seat cleaning and pricing security lighting.

Social Action

This committee has an infusion of new energy and is currently working on its charter. It will be encouraging congregants to contribute to figuring out what we should be doing, in the hope of further increasing excitement and participation. Ross will be co-leading a Green Sanctuary circle and efforts to achieve Green Sanctuary status, which is much more feasible than it used to be. He will also be working on the spiritual side of sustainability.

Governance

At this Sunday's service, Julie and Kathy will promote the April 27 "workship."

The board discussed setting up social media platforms that are owned by the Fellowship rather than an individual.

The board authorized the Tech Task Force to set up a new Facebook page and social media platforms.

The annual business meeting will take place on June 15.

Will suggests holding one or two post-service budget town halls before the annual meeting so congregants who wish to review the budget in more detail can do so.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 14, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Golbetz (Secretary)

Motions Approved

The board approved the March financial reports.

The board authorized the Tech Task Force to set up a new Facebook page and social media platforms.

Action Items

Lauri: Plan Soup with Shams event

Get estimate on minister's office

Will: Continue working on website and social media

Will and Julie: Continue working on shared Google folder for board and Fellowship