

Welcome to the August 24, 2024, UUFCC Board Meeting

In-Person at Fellowship and on Zoom

Present: Lorrie Douglas, Laura Liermann, Joseph Fenty, Dick Schwarz, Laura Anderson, Betty Barriga, Mike Krzykowski, Sharon Whitehill



Next Month's Opening Words **Joseph**

Timekeeper: **Mike**

1) **Last Month's Minutes Approval. Sharon moved and Joseph seconded motion to approve July minutes as presented. Motion passed.**

2) Updates

Attendance:

- Rentals 0
- People at services 155/month; 39 average, 6 new
- YouTube 100/month; 25 average
- Conversation among friends 51

Newsletter – Joseph ~ Sept; Betty ~ Oct; Sharon ~ Nov; Laura A ~ Dec

Membership –

Board Members Greeting schedule

August - Sharon and Joseph

September - Mike/Lorrie and Laura L

October - Betty and Dick

November - Laura A and Lorrie

December - Laura L and Sharon

Membership Breakfast on Sept, 21, 9:30 am. Lorrie and Laura L are coordinating, Betty and Sharon will assist. **Lorrie will add announcement on Sunday morning, in Weekly Update, and newspaper. Laura A will ask Anna about UU brochures. Lorrie will look for materials in membership box on porch.**

New Members Initiation in October

Website Facts and Figures- Attached

ComCom - Sun ad in Newcomers – Attached

Potential Groups:

- Women's Group –Hildana- Tuesdays early evening
- Caregivers- Rev Ann
- Death and Dying -Tidewell Hospice, Empath
- Spiritual Curriculum?
- Graceful Aging
- Chalice Circles **Joseph will follow up with Dennis to talk about these groups on several Sundays. Which groups are active? Who would lead a new group?**
- New groups need board permission. Groups need to coordinate time through office calendar. **Joseph will draft policy and create form to ask each group who is contact person, when do**

they meet? what is purpose of group? How attached to UU values/principles? Laura A will offer a second set of eyes.

- When do groups get charged for using space? Who gets to use space for no cost? Laura A will look at old minutes for previous discussion. Will discuss in September meeting.

Dishwasher repaired

3) Treasurer Report – Actual spending is very close to budgeted amount. Donations are up a little. We are in good shape now. However, we have a \$20,000 deficit. Hope to increase donations in the winter.

4) Pastoral Care Report - Rev Ann has met with several people. September sermon will be invitation regarding pastoral care.

4) Admin Report

- Weekly Update Additions-** Scam Alert, UU the Vote, Asking for greeters are all regular additions
- New Directory Created** Followup to directory is list of contacts for groups/committees. Laura A will follow up with office.
- Rev. Ann's business cards and Office notecards**

5) UUA Board Training Classes Report

Discussion on congregational statistics. Laura A will follow up.
Betty and Laura A attended. Both found time well spent

6) Quick Vote

Traditional Labor Day- Due to heat & humidity moved to future date - Nov. 24? Laura A will follow up with worship committee

Solicit funds for Self-Insurance- 2nd Helping (Dec. 8th?) This isn't really the purpose of second helping. Reminder that wind/flood insurance is prohibitively costly. We have reserve funds and we should let people know we basically are self-insured. Dick will write something for next meeting for us to review to share in newsletter. Include how much insurance costs are.

Annual Program Fund Donation- \$8,861 Laura A moved and Dick seconded motion to pay \$8,861 to fund. The fund is used for Southern Region programs and staff. We are also reminded that UUA supported us when Hurricane Ian damaged building.

Tile Grout Cleaning Quote - \$780 Sharon moved and Mike seconded motion to not clean grout at this time. Motion passed.

Cleaning Fee for Rentals - No fee if conditions are met? What fees charged Laura A to ask Anna to add note to kitchen with reminder to clean up - with checklist. Also to add a note regarding covering cost of cleaning to rental contract.

Program Council - rename Leadership Council. Board members will rotate responsibility for monthly meetings. Emphasize membership is leaders of both committees and groups. Dick will lead January meeting. Consider meeting after church on Sunday. Laura A will ask Anna which Sundays do not have meetings.

7) Climate Justice Revival Update- Joseph and Mike have met. Will ask Anna to assist with publicity - both at fellowship (posters, hand outs) and in the newspaper. There are a lot of thoughtful materials for activities, which will be on Saturday. **Mike and Joseph will invite other environmental groups to weekend revival.** Ryan Richardson is worship associate Sunday. **Joseph will talk to Ryan about Sunday service on September 29.**

8) Discussion Items

Sharon asked about donation to the Environmental Conservancy of North Port. **Sharon will write request and send to Lorrie for consideration of Comm Comm as advertising for fellowship.**

In-Kind Donations- Review Policy drafted by Laura A. – Form needed. How do we notify members of this change and why it is needed. (Sept. meeting and in Weekly Update). **Laura A and Lorrie will finalize form and policy. Laura A will write up announcement and post information on website.**

September 15th Town Hall – theme for September is Invitation - perhaps we could use this as theme for meeting. Format should be different from last meeting. Perhaps small group discussions?. **Joseph will work on agenda. Laura A will send questions from board training.**

Outreach: Should we have Rev Ann have lunch with South Port Members and Friends monthly? Yes

Welcoming Renewal Focus-Winter UUFCC has the Welcoming Congregation designation from UUA. We will look at renewing designation with updated work. **Lorrie will coordinate.**

We should also renew Green Sanctuary designation.

TOWN HALL: After September 15 Service

Next Board Meeting 10:30 am September 27 (Friday)

Preview of Coming Attractions

- ***Requests & Prioritizing Funding from Endowment – Need more \$ info re: insurance***
- ***Protocol for handling performance requests from outside sources, including fundraising***
- ***Fundraising Ideas...Grants, Shelly, MaryLou, & Finance Committee***
- ☑ ***Accessibility Task Force/Team in Fall***
- ***Plan for Annual Meeting – Recognition Cape/ Cap?***
- ☑ ***Audit – Board will request a qualified non-Board member to conduct a basic audit before March and report to Board in April.***
- ☑ ***HR Policy Team***
- ***North Port Chamber of Commerce & PFLAG membership***