

UUFCO Board Meeting
January 18,2022
Location: Conference Room, UUFCO

Attending: Daelene Schwartz, Laura Voisinet, John Lawton, Grace Kennedy, and Ella Chatterjee. Mark Steinberg, Fletcher Chamberlin and Rev. Scott Rudolph attending via Zoom.

Called to Order: 4:05p.m.

Minutes written by: Ella Chatterjee, Recording Secretary

Consent Agenda. Grace moved to accept the agenda for the January Board meeting and to approve the December 21,2021 minutes. Mark seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Finance. With 6 months of statements available, the budget is somewhat in the negative, mainly because of rentals being down. Fletcher says that the outlook must be cautious but that things are manageable.

Finance committee policies are now completed.

Stewardship. The committee is prepared to launch the campaign in February, but is considering whether the launch should be moved to March because of the possibility that our in-person services may have to be suspended for the month of February. Deschutes County is having discussions with the staff about using the church for a vaccination center in February. If that comes to pass, we would have to go to Zoom services only for that month and that would not be an ideal venue for the Stewardship campaign.

The Board decided that the campaign should be moved to March. Regardless of what happens with Deschutes County, the campaign could benefit from the energy generated by the February listening sessions.

Personnel. Nothing new to report.

Facilities. The city is planning to put in a roundabout at the intersection of Skyline Dr. and Skyline Ranch Rd. in 2024. This will involve the city taking about 6,500 sq. ft. currently used by the church. How this will be done and how the church may be compensated for the loss of space is yet to be determined. More information on this issue should be available in March.

Endowment The committee's meeting on January 12, 2022 had full attendance. The quarterly report was submitted and plans were made to present educational Zoom seminars on taxation and on wills and trusts, both with a focus on charitable giving. The committee does not have professionals to present these seminars at present and welcomes any suggestions from the Board.

Supporting document: Endowment Committee Quarterly Report.

Minister's Report. FEMA had initially expressed interest in locating a vaccination center on the west side, possibly in the church. But ultimately, FEMA went with only one center in the Armory.

The staff is meeting now with Deschutes County representatives about having a county vaccination center at the church for the month of February, but no decisions have been made yet.

We have confidence in our Covid procedures and believe it is worthwhile to keep in-person services available. However, the Covid team recommended going to only one in-person service

at 10 am on Sundays. (We had been having roughly 30 people at each of the in-person services, with about 70 people attending via Zoom.)

RE will begin again soon, in an adaptive form, with 11am drop in on Sundays.

Streamlined staff meetings are working well. The administrative team—Chela, Amy, Leora and Rev. Scott meet once a week. The entire staff meets every other week.

The art show was excellent and symbolized movement in a time when things sometimes seem to be static.

Rev. Scott will be attending a ministers' conference in San Diego from Jan 31 through Feb 4.

This conference, sponsored by UUA, is held every 3 years.

The gift of two canvas labyrinths to the church raises the question of how such donations should be handled. There is a form for the receipt of such donations and we need to find out from Leora what happens with the form, where it is kept, and the like.

Once a donation is accepted, we also need to look into how donors are being thanked. With regard to the gift of the labyrinths, the labyrinth team should work out rules for the use of the labyrinths.

With regard to policies in general, we should make sure that the history of the policy is available and in proximity to the bare policy language.

Meeting adjourned: 5:30pm.

Next meeting: February 15, 2022 4pm, conference room at UUFCO