

UUFCO Board Meeting  
October 20, 2022  
Location: Conference Room, UUFCO

Attending: Laura Voisinet, Daelene Schwartz, Fletcher Chamberlin, Bob Hedeem, Ella Chatterjee, and Rev. Scott Rudolph. John McKee attending via Zoom.

Guest: Anastacia Compton, Environmental Justice Committee.

Called to Order: 4:10 p.m.

Minutes written by: Ella Chatterjee, Recording

**Consent Agenda.** Fletcher moved to accept the agenda for the October Board meeting and to approve the September 2022 minutes.

Daelene seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Solar project.** Anastacia reported that the Solar Project committee recommended a three-pronged approach to raising funds for the project. Money would be taken from the reserve fund, a loan could be requested from the Endowment fund to be paid back with interest, and money could be raised from the congregation, with an initial focus on major donors. Bob Barber, Anastacia Compton, Laura Voisinet, Fletcher Chamberlain and Susan Kinney would be making the calls to donors. This effort would be completed in December. The congregation as a whole would also be asked if they wanted to invest in the project.

The Board approved this approach. Daelene moved that the Board approve signing the contract with Sunbridge Solar, LLC. (which includes paying 20% from the reserve fund by the end of this year). Fletcher seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Finance.** John, Fletcher, and Mark Hickman are working with Leslie Koc on the restructuring of finances. As part of this effort, they will be talking with other congregations about how their finances are structured.

**Stewardship.** Nothing new to report.

**Personnel.** Nothing new to report.

**Facilities.** Nothing new to report.

**Endowment.** The next meeting will be on November 16, 2022.

**Auction.** Daelene reported that the auction did not use funds budgeted for it and when that is taken into consideration, the auction raised raised close to \$14,000.

**Policy Review.** As part of the Board's responsibility to periodically review policies, Daelene presented for review: the policy on Policies, the policy on Political Action, the policy on Firearms, the policy Disruptive Behavior, the policy on the memorials in the Sacred Grounds, and the policy on physical boundaries of the Sacred Grounds.

It was noted that in the policy on Policy, a policy cannot be approved by the Board if a Board member is absent. In such cases, the policy must be reviewed at a second meeting when all Board members are present. Because Grace could not be at this meeting, the policies must be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

Those Board members present unanimously approved the policies presented with two exceptions. The Board made a change in the political action policy to specifically refer to values. The Board also felt the the policy on the boundaries to the Sacred Grounds needed to be considered in the wider context of land use.

All of these policies, including the proposed amended policy on political activity, will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

**Minister's Report.** The congregation responded well to the recent crisis and activities continue to go vigorously forward.

Registration for RE is below pre-covid levels but remains solid.

Efforts are being made to structure a Mens' Group with more communication and coordination.

Also, a widowers group has been formed.

The children choir is going forward with enthusiasm.

Appointing an interim choir director for a four or five month block, beginning in January, is being considered. In the meantime Mark Hickman is acting as Choir

Co-ordinator.

The Safe Parking program will start in December.

The Sabbatical Task Force—Bob Barber, Susan Kinney, Laura and Rev. Scott—has met and is beginning plans for the period when Rev. Scott will be on sabbatical from April 1st to August 31.

Meeting adjourned: 6:20 pm.

Next meeting: November 17, 2022 4pm, conference room at UUFCO

**Roundabout counter offers.** On November 2, 2022, by email vote, the Board authorized the two counter offers Leora and Duncan proposed for their negotiations with Brooks Resources about the Roundabout to be built in 2024.

Brooks made an offer of \$90,000 for the UUFCO land needed for the roundabout. Leora and Duncan proposed two counter offers:

1. In lieu of paying \$90,000, Brooks would make a permanent exit from Skyliners into the UUFCO parking lot, create 3 ADA parking spaces, and create 36 standard parking spaces.
2. Accept the \$90,000 and have Brooks create the permanent exit from Skyliners and the 3 ADA parking spaces.

**Supporting document:** Roundabout Counteroffers.