

DRAFT OUUF Board Meeting Minutes 9-22-24

In attendance: Rose Prestipino, Dianne Whitaker, Dave Large, Ken Nielsen, Emily Beals and Harmony Rutter. Not in attendance: Greg Sensiba and Nels Peterson.

1. 12:45 Opening by Rose Prestipino lighting of the chalice.

Invitation to share about the new version of our UU Statement of Value and Beliefs.

Rose shared about some personal struggles with a current family crisis and that grace, love and gratitude have been important. Other Board members shared their reflections and thoughts.

Ken would like to add discussion of Flags in the Sanctuary to Old Business.

Ken would like to add discussion of a “Chili Sunday” to New Business.

2. Dianne moves to approve the amended Agenda

Dave 2nd

Motion passes Unanimously

3. Dianne moves to approve the Meeting minutes from the August Meeting

Emily 2nd

Motion passes Unanimously

4. Finance Report In Greg Sensiba’s absence, Dianne is giving a brief financial report.

A large donation was given via the offertory a couple weeks ago. Overall, we’re in a good place financially. The congregation has been generous.

There has been a delay in paying some of the bills because the Fellowship’s Bank (Sound Community Bank) had to change their software in response to adding new security features and to comply with new regulations. This has caused a delay in accessing our accounts. But Dianne has restored access and is caught up.

Board Members and the Admin shared their positive personal banking experiences with Sound Community Bank.

Budget worksheet considered by the board members. Kudos to Finance committee in the preparation of this document.

\$89,180 is the projected dollar amount of pledges.

December 15th is the Annual Meeting after the service.

At least 2 weeks before the Annual Meeting – on December 1st – The Board will meet in preparation of the Annual Meeting. The November Board Meeting is being delayed due to a Celebration of Life on the 24th of November (the usual scheduled Sunday for a Board Meeting)

Board will vote on the Budget and the new slate of Board Candidates so that they can be shared with the membership.

Draft Budget needs to be shared with the members at least 2 weeks before the Annual Meeting

Board members clarified that if the draft budget changes by a certain percentage (not a dollar amount) after it is voted on and approved by the membership, then it needs to be officially amended by the Board and the membership.

Rose and the Admin need to make sure the most recent version of the by-laws contain all of the approved changes, has been officially adopted and then they will be distributed to the membership.

Rose requests a motion to approve the draft budget.

Ken Moves

Dave 2nd

Motion passes unanimously.

5. Admin Report

Board Report September 2024

- Olympic Visitor's Guide listing for Fall/Winter 24-25
 - Was due on 9-6-24 for \$85
 - Rose, Dianne and Harmony prepared and sent it out
- Coordination of email distribution lists
 - Admin goal: use Constant Contact for all mass communication
 - Create 1 Weekly News and the Sunday Order-of-Service Message
 - which includes the Zoom info, the Order of Service and Announcements/Newsletter
- Toilet Repair service on 9-12-24
 - The NE bathroom had a leak under the toilet where it attaches to the floor. Jamie Parrish plumbing serviced the toilet and caulked it.
 - The SE bathroom was in good repair and didn't need any repairs.
 - The West bathroom had a broken shutoff valve at the wall and needed a flapper and float valve. Those parts were all replaced.
 - Invoice total: \$356.20
- Integrity Pumps
 - Came and worked on repairing a leaky pipe on 9-19-24
 - The pipe is coming from the old well that was shared with the neighbor. It was capped but is still leaking and to complete the job, the neighbor's water needs to be shut off.
 - Rose and Lou will contact the neighbor to schedule a time to finish the repair.
- Collaborate with John Huffstetler on the weekly slide show to allow Admin more time for weekly tasks.

- Need to write up a Social Media Steward Job Description to support a new member's desire to provide a pledge of Volunteer Service.
- Upcoming this week is to finish updating the website to reflect current staff
 - Then advertise for the new Religious Education Teachers through many news and hiring outlets.

6. Committee Report Discussion

Emily – Talked about Bodhi Harbour, she would like to provide her pledge as a service to the Fellowship to support the Kitchen Crew and as a Social Media Steward.

Dianne moves to affirm her membership

Ken 2nd

It is unanimously approved that Bodhi Harbour is now a new member.

New Member Orientation will take place on November 3rd as a forum after the “Poetry Sunday” Service.

Dianne – LFP is doing very well. New grant acquired by Florence Bucierka for personal hygiene kits. We have reached the 4th Anniversary of the LFP. Let's toot our own horn and put this in the Newsletter as time and space allows.

7. Old Business

Rose – Tech Proposal. Matt Mahowald PTZ Cameras for wall mounted system to create a more streamlined experience for the hybrid. Estimated cost is approximately \$1700

Dianne moves to approve buying the 2 cameras and a controller as proposed

Emily 2nd

Installation will be handled by a work party of knowledgeable Members.

Harmony will schedule a work session with Matt Mahowald to order the equipment on October 3rd and 4th.

Emily Beals: Healthy Fellowship Team.

Dave asked for an amendment to include the words “Fellowship members and employees”

Would adding the word “friend” make sense? This needs to be discussed further by the committee.

Dave moves to table this.

Dianne 2nd.

Motion approved unanimously.

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Ken: Flags in the Fellowship

It was his understanding that the Board gave the Aesthetics Committee the carte blanche to procure the flags and add them to the sanctuary.

But there was some discussion that gave them pause.

Invite the community to a post service discussion to try and reach a consensus. Ken will work with Sunday Service Committee to find a good week to hold the discussion.

Board members discussed their opinions about the flag display in the Sanctuary.

Tabled to the next meeting.

8. New Business

Ken: "Chili Sunday" as a Fundraiser

Do it as a fundraiser by donation on a Sunday.

Board members discussed their ideas. Chili contest, fundraiser for a specific cause, offer this on a Sunday instead of post-service snacks, would it be too hot to hold? what about a weeknight? etc...

Tabled to next meeting.

9. Closing and Extinguish the Chalice

Dianne moves to adjourn at 2:10 pm

Dave 2nd