

UUYO July Board Meeting

Thursday, July 12, 2018

Attendees

Jeanne Tucker, Ralph Malmer, Louisa Berger, Andy Crabb, John Gulgas, Mindi Raley, Reverend Joseph Boyd, Lizbet White

Agenda

Covenant

Consent Agenda

There was no quorum for July's meeting, but notes and observations were acknowledged as accurate.

Louisa presented the treasurer's report. She stated that the plate has been down and expenses have been high.

John motioned to accept, Mindi seconded and all approved

Old/Unfinished Business

The cupola proposal was approved. The vote was 26 to 12. The committee met with John Locketti. The Adolph Johnson company was chosen as the contractor.

Joseph will follow up with Molly about the Black Lives Matter banner.

John said that our defibrillator arrived and came with a case. We need to set up the CPR/first aid class.

It was stated that our Standing on the Side of Love banner seems to be misplaced. Joseph thought Gary might know where it is and he will follow up. We need to have a sign out sheet to keep track of items.

Thank UU's

Sarah Lown for leading three worships and being a pillar of worship for August

Chesney Gulas for volunteering as an RE teacher

Gary Davenport for coordinating the Social Justice Committee

Tom Beck and Tom Conya for the sound system

Ryan Striffler for teaching our whole lives

New Business

Lizbet talked about Stewardship 2019

The committee has already started to meet. They want to build on the success of last year.

She asked if there was transparency about finances. She asked about the Board's goals and planning and Joseph's vision for the future. The board agreed to provide information.

The board acknowledged the success of last year's drive and thanked Lizbet.

It was stated that we might like to hire a part time music director, a sound and video person and a webmaster/social media coordinator.

Lizbet asked for a paragraph synopsis of the board's vision for the future.

There is a plan to connect the auction with the pledge drive.

Lizbet asked if the board would be willing to help
We could ask committees, if money were available what would you do? How much money would it take to do that?
Frank asked for \$1,200 to fund stewardship kick start.
Lizbet left the meeting

The board talked about the AC.

The board has to recommend it to the endowment committee for \$2,000.
Ralph moved to approve the recommendation to the endowment committee. John seconded and all approved.

Jeanne stated that Saturday, July 21, is the Youngstown Pride festival.
Jan Grisbey is coordinating the UUYO table.

Jeanne said that there is a non violence parade in October.
She would like to run a full page ad in the non violence booklet for the cost of \$100.
There is \$452 left from the social justice grant.

There are two upcoming social justice meetings:

Growing roots and rights
Immigration

Jeanne said we should make it a priority to get lights in the parking lot.
Louisa suggested we ask Tom Beck about lights.
Andy said the electric company may put up light poles and charge a monthly fee on the electric bill.

Louisa stated she got an email from Heather about no one being in charge of sound.
Tim Reardon and Mark Lance used to do it.
Tom Beck does not want to run it, but he will provide training on the the new system to anyone willing to learn.
Should Heather schedule sound people?
We could mention in the weekly newsletter that sound people are needed and see if anyone is interested.
Jeanne suggested we set up a sound committee. Andy suggested having Heather put a note in the order of service.

Generative Discussion

Jeanne suggested that we, as the board, do a survey to determine our strengths and weaknesses. This is something that Renee talked about during our board retreat.

Joseph talked about his trip to Transylvania and the possibilities of having a partner church. Would the congregation be interested? What would be involved?

Louisa talked about the community potluck. On July 28th at 1 p.m. there is a community potluck hosted by the Wick Park Neighborhood Association. Should we provide food? The board decided to ask people to bring what they can afford to share. This will happen directly after the Farmer's Market and the two could be tied together. People could buy food at the market to donate to the potluck.

Roles for next meeting:

Facilitator - Ralph
Process Observer - John
Notes/Minutes - Mindi
Thank UU's - Andy
Bits from the Board - Jeanne
Time Keeper - Louisa

Meeting adjourned