

**UUCM Board of Trustees Minutes
October 12, 2022**

The Board met via Zoom at 6:30pm. **Present:** Nancy Burton, Trish Schneider, Elaine Donovan, Janet Hiller.

Rev. Tony Lorenzen was unable to attend because of illness.

The **Sept. 28, 2022 minutes were approved** by consensus.

There was no new Minister's Report.

Treasurer's Report:

- Trish bought 1,000 gallons of heating oil at \$4.19 per gallon.
- It wasn't possible to approve the report because of an error in posting under Liabilities. We will vote on an amended report at the next meeting.

October Congregational Conversation Oct. 16:

- This month's topic: Ministry.
- Ask for volunteers to provide an activity for young children who may attend a Sunday service. Idea: a scavenger hunt they can do from their seat in the sanctuary. Rev. Tony may want to be involved.

Old Business:

- All issues cited in the Fire Marshall's report have been addressed, but the batteries haven't yet been installed. Trish has sent progress report(s), including a video of the "dungeon" door closing.
- Soft spots on front porch: Joe Kiely has done some inspecting and will take care of them. No cost estimate yet. We'll put this on the agenda for spring.
- We'll do further discussion on Property at one of our November Board meetings.
- Need to clean lower level after the Holiday Fair and discard financial reports from the late '90s.
- Nancy will text Randy Heath: Where is the missing air conditioner cover? Chet and Diane will put up the two covers, and later Diane will create some art on them.
- Pianist: The candidate will play on Oct. 23. After that service, the Board and Worship Associates will meet to decide whether to hire him. Elaine will ask Rev. Tony how to handle the official hiring.
- Time and Talent Surveys: Nancy will send a **write-up to the newsletter** asking those who haven't completed the form to do so. If necessary, we will **mail paper copies** to members who are usually active. Trish will put a **link to the form in the newsletter**, and we'll **mention it at a Sunday service**.
- No new report on a potential relationship with another UU church.

Rev. Tony's contract:

- MUUS agrees re: continuing to use the FY '22 contract, with FY '23 salary increase. We will not write up a whole new contract unless advised to do so by the UUA.
- This can now be sent to Denise Pedane, MUUS president, which Nancy will do.
- The MUUS treasurer will bill us for our portion of Rev. Tony's compensation.
- Retirement payments will be tied to payroll once the new recordkeeper is in place in February.

Holiday Fair planning meeting: six people attended. No themed baskets. Will have silent auction, cookie room, crafts room, small tag sale, holiday boutique. Will seek outside vendors. Will meet Oct. 19 to do crafts.

Tasks:

- Nancy will forward her shortened contract wording to Denise Pedane.
- Nancy will ask Randy where the missing a/c cover is.
- Nancy will check with the Health Department about getting an AED (defibrillator).
- Trish will amend the financial report for approval at the next Board meeting.
- Nancy will email the Board re: date/time for next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28pm. Next meeting to be determined. Nancy will email re: date and time.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Hiller