

UUCM Board of Trustees
Minutes October 18, 2023

The meeting was held in person at the church at 6:30pm

PRESENT:

Nancy Burton, Elaine Donovan, Tracy Wethered, Rev. Tony Lorenzen, Sara Whalen, Liz Hall, and Trish Schneider

EXCUSED:

All present

The minutes of the **September 20, 2023** meeting were approved by consensus with one change. Tony got a credit card and Elaine got a debit card.

Membership Directory:

- Trish gave a demo of what an online directory would look like.
- Discussed online vs printed copy.
- Would be used to contact members within the congregation.
- Majority of members want printed version.
- Final decision: Printed copies that includes phone numbers and email addresses.

Roof Repair Bid:

- Donna used company recommended by Sandy and Jeff.
- Gave quote of about \$3600. Gave warranty.
- Final decision: Approved the company recommended by Sandy and Jeff.

Legacy Gift Policy:

- Discussed rewording section that mentions you can only make donations by mail.
- Alter to include other options. Online, venmo, etc.
- Final decision: Trish will make the change to include the other options.

Servant Keeper:

- Discussed who should have access. We need to have limited access for right now. Cannot afford next level at this time. People may need to share passwords.
- Limited access should include: Tony, Treasurers, Finance Director, office admin.
- Ask Tim to be the gatekeeper for Mail Chimp & servant keeper.

Grant Money for Security:

- Elaine put the congregation on a list with the state for when a grant will be available to us.
- Sandy and Donna are interested in leading a task force.

Treasurer's Report:

- Elaine printed report for Sept 2023 and we reviewed accounts.

- We are ahead \$7000 this month.
- Looking into getting Tony Life Insurance and Long Term Disability.
- The Board made the decision to continue the practice of allotting 25% of undesignated contributions in the collection plate to go to the SJC account. We will make a suggestion to the SJC that quarterly they determine what the account balance is and if there are not any ongoing projects, the Council should consider making donations to an organization whose work is in keeping with the mission of our church. We will make an announcement during services and in the newsletter to let the congregation know this is the policy.

Ministers Report:

- Approved by Board

Unconference:

- 40 Participants
- Finalize volunteers.

Congregational Conversation:

- November : Fundraising
 - Get examples of what other congregations are doing.
 - Possibly gathering a few congregations to do a joint fundraiser.
- Discussed making the CC's more unique. Attendance has been dropping.
- Put in the newsletter when they are and what was the outcome.
- Decided to skip December for the holidays.

Board Goals:

- We will start in January.
- Align meeting agenda with the goals of the Board.
- We will hold separate meetings to work on goals

TASKS:

- Print out new congregational directory
- Talk to Donna about porch repair and pole lights
- Ask Tim to be gatekeeper of mail chimp and servant keeper
- Trish to follow up with Sandy and Donna regarding security task force
- Schedule meetings to discuss Board goals
- Inform congregation we would like to do a Family Heirloom Potluck on Dec 10th instead of a Congregational Conversation.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Wethered

Next meeting Wednesday November 15th , 2023.