

UUCM Board of Trustees
Minutes January 17, 2024

The meeting was held over Zoom starting at 6:30pm

PRESENT:

Nancy Burton, Elaine Donovan, Tracy Wethered, Sara Whalen, Rev. Tony Lorenzen

EXCUSED:

All were present

The minutes of the **December 20th, 2023** meeting were approved by consensus.

Treasurer's Report:

- Elaine sent the Board the report. It was reviewed and accepted.
- Landscape fee higher to pay Michael
- Heating and fuel bill was higher. Bought more oil at a bulk rate to save per gallon.

Minister's Report:

- Report was sent 20 minutes before meeting. Board did not get a chance to review completely.
- Highlights:
 - Jan. 24th- Meeting scheduled with Kim, Jane, Kathy, and Nancy to reorganize Pastoral Care Team.

Committee Updates:

Sara presented the Board with a list of all the committee updates.

- Property
 - Separate agenda item.
- Membership
 - Board will work with Membership Committee to fill needs and gaps.
 - Stewardship Campaign discussed. Ask congregation what they can do to volunteer.
- Social Justice
 - Nothing new noted.
- Finance
 - Nothing new noted.
- Worship
 - Nothing new noted.
- Pastoral Care
 - Notes under Ministers report
- Security Grant Task Force
 - Nothing new noted.
- Marketing Team
 - Nothing new noted.

Property Decisions:

- Porch Repair
 - Steve to put in a bid.
 - Suggestion to make it a community project. Get congregation involved.
- Lights
 - Steve Volpini made a \$1000 donation to put towards repair.
 - Possibility poles are okay. Just replace lights. Electrician to check on that.
 - Money left in building fund to use towards lights.

UUA Certification:

- Nancy to send link to complete this task. Needs to be done by Feb.5th.

Evaluation Process:

- Nancy sent framework to Board for evaluations.
- Tony to send the Board evaluation format to do about ourselves.
- Possibly evaluate church as a whole.

Congregational Conversations:

- January 28th- Fundraising
- February 18th- Follow-up with SJC

Managing the office/administration

- Administrative Calendar
 - Nancy sent the board an example of task calendar. Board to look at and give opinion.

Person of the Month:

- January- Diane
- February- Kathy

Task:

- Make list of people who have made donations to church to send out Thank Yous.
- Sara to possibly put a help wanted section in the newsletter for tasks that need to be done.
- Nancy to reach out to Ann Smith to possibly hire her to clean the church.
- Get Meriden inspector to get involved with porch repair to make sure it is done to code.
- Nancy to tell Donna to go ahead with light repair.
- Let congregation know we are doing the evaluations. When this is completed, we will share outcome.
- Elaine to put together a list of Administrative tasks.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Wethered

Next meeting Wednesday February 21st, 2024