Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington

Approved Minutes of the October 7, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting

Governance -- Membership Journey -- Communication

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Attending: Andrea Murray, Denise Ogren, Kevin Rottet, G. K. Rowe, Amy Taylor

Not attending: Chris Haynes, John Lawson

Ex-officio: Reverend Mary Ann Macklin, Carol Marks

Approval of September minutes was held until November meeting so that everyone could have a chance to look them over.

Program Team report

Amy shared that John Woodcock, Social Justice Program Team person, with the support of the entire Program Team, put in a proposal for funds to contribute as a way to support the Interfaith Emergency Shelter Project this winter since our building cannot be used.

Treasurer's report

John Lawson was not in attendance but sent word that our cash flow is down due to slow pledge receipt and it may impact next months operating budget. Funds can be found from other areas if need be. Mary Ann Macklin said she will make a financial pledge request from the pulpit and there will be an article in the Prologue encouraging people to submit their pledge payments.

Minister's report

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin reported that she attended some Campus Ministry worships that went well. Also, Reverend Bill Breeden's Sabbatical is going well. Reverend Macklin attended a District Ministers' Gathering recently and there are a number of congregations in the Heartland District in transition without settled ministers. Reverend Macklin is one of 2 Good Offices Ministers in the district and may be called upon to assist colleagues during times of transitions or challenges. Reverend Macklin leaves Oct 11 for Tucson for 2 weeks for a leadership training with cultural anthropologist Angelens Arrien. Reverend Emily Manvel Leite will step in for her during this absence.

Reporting policy discussion

Policy Discussions ensued with a focus on reporting requirements. It was determined that for now we will stick to the schedule as it is laid out in the policies and acknowledge we may need to change the schedule at some future time depending on how it goes. Andrea Murray volunteered to create a report form as a starting place and the Management Team may use it or not as they wish.

Governance Retreat

Lisa Presley will be the consultant for our Governance Retreat Oct 31. There was a reference made to a Dan Hodgkiss' Book: Governance & Ministry and a John Calvin book or workshop. The books will be ordered. There is a workshop Thursday, Nov 19 in Indianapolis and another one Friday Nov 20 at the Center for Congregations.

Motion: Green Spaces Initiative

Andrea Murray moved that "Green Spaces Initiative" will be overseen by the Board. Denise Ogren seconded.

Vote: the motion passed unanimously.

-- Minutes by Amy Taylor