

UUMH Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes May 17, 2024 3 pm on Zoom

In attendance: Beth Avery, Danielle Jeanloz, Jon Nye, Naomi Turner, Rev. Tracy Johnson, Liz Van Wye, Joe Zahka. Evan Howard, incoming Board Member, also attended. Joan Caputo and Ed Magnifico were absent.

The Consent Agenda was unanimously approved with 2 minor changes on minutes the April 2024 meeting minutes - Joe Zahka was added and Scott Tayler name corrected.

Stewardship Update – Jon: We have exceeded our goal of \$100,000, the actual numbers are being finalized. Jon thanked Evan Howard and Sandi Porter for their efforts to create a highly successful campaign.

Restructure Committee Status – Danielle: The proposed program introductory meeting with the Program Council went well. Jon will update our congregation at the Annual Meeting; Liz will provide some suggested wording. Danielle looks forward to working with the board and committees trying out the proposed process.

UUA Request for Minister Transition Debrief – Jon: Chris McMahon has reached out and met with some of our leaders including Worship Services and Tracy. Liz mentioned the importance of providing an orientation of the community (Chatham, Harwich, Orleans). Danielle suggested that she and Naomi assist with that.

Ministerial Debrief – Jon: Hilary Allen would like input from the board about our views on ministry in an effort to get to know us better. Jon will organize a Zoom session with her and the Board, and also invite Sue Bauer to participate. The afternoons of May 23 or 28 May were discussed as options.

Pledge and Fundraising discussion – Jon: Reviewed challenges about how to deal with donated funds when the donor may not be fully aware of the donation amount. Tracy responded to one recent concern. Danielle will follow up with the UUA to seek guidance and policies on receiving contested donations.

Excess Solar Energy Discussion – Jon: The Board opted to get a large solar panel system so that if we had excess, we could share with other nonprofit organizations. We agreed to review the excess amount after a year. We now have a onetime \$1,900 credit, plus additional monthly credits eligible to donate. The board is encouraging recommendations from Social Justice and the Congregation. Jon will work with Robin Hubbard, Social Justice chair, to get feedback. General areas to support, in addition to specific nonprofits, might also be encouraged. Joe and Liz are following up with other UU's to determine if they could use our solar energy credits. Joe encouraged selection of monthly excess credits be designated as soon as possible.

Old and new business -none

Next meeting – June 21, 2024 – Zoom
The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm

Minutes submitted by - Danielle Jeanloz