

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Chico Board Meeting

June 27, 2019

Attendance: Board: Angela Risdon, Adrienne Edwards, Bob Crowe, Tom Lewis, Danetta Cox-Cordova
Absent: Bob Brister and Merrily Stover
Others: Bryan Plude, Lucy Sperlin, TW Theodore, Dave Keller, Courtney Singer, and Jane Quan-Bell

1. Angela gave opening words. Danetta was appointed the process person.
2. **Approval of Minutes** – Adrienne moved that the May 14, 2019 minutes be approved. S/Tom; unanimously passed.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – See attached financial statements.
4. **Open Issues**
 - A. **Stewardship Campaign** – Bob reported that 29 units have pledged out of 64 units. \$53,551 has been pledged. Angela, T.W., Courtney, Tom and Bob will call the remaining units to remind them of their pledge commitment. They will meet after the service on June 30.
 - B. **Building & Grounds/Security** – Dave brought up a situation where an individual stayed in the Fellowship Hall and ate food. It was agreed that the Fellowship Hall and the RE Building needs to be locked whenever there isn't anyone from the congregation in the buildings.

Tom reported that the alarm system has been installed but not activated. Dave, Adrienne and Tom will meet to determine who should have the code to arm the alarm system.

Adrienne has worked on the landscaping. The garden and the fruit trees look great.
 - C. **Use Permit** – A task force needs to be formed and this topic will be discussed in the next board meeting
 - D. **Online Giving** – The website is not secure and Bob will meet with Courtney to determine what needs to be done.
 - E. **Insurance for Board** - Tabled to the next Board meeting

5. **New Business**

- A. **Bookkeeper Allowed Access to Umpqua Accounts** – Jane will get a background check for Mary Lee Simmons. Mary Lee will do the fiscal year

end transactions by using paper statements until the background check has been done.

- B. **Distribution of Camp Fire Monies** – T.W., Bryan, Dennis Daniel, Dave Strohmeyer, and Angela have decided how to distribute the monies to the members. After a discussion, *Danetta moved that (1) \$5,000 plus the plate offerings designated for Simplicity Village, would add up to \$6,500, be allocated towards purchasing a Tiny House in the Simplicity Village, (2) \$10,000 be allocated to the Minister's Discretionary Fund, and (3) the remaining funds be used after some investigation has been done into various projects in the community.* S/Tom, unanimously passed
- C. **GA** – Bryan reported that UUA made great strides to diversify the staff racially and with LGBTQ individuals. Bryan wants to learn more about how to be a Welcoming Congregation and to be an ally to the Machoopda Tribe. He was very impressed with Susan Fredrick Gray.
- D. **RACI** – Angela suggested how to integrate all committees and talk about how decisions are being made and communicated . This will be a task for the next Board.

6. **Committee Reports** – T.W. passed out a list of committees and would like to get more people involved in the congregation. He would like members of the Board to decide which committees they would like to be a liaison between the committee and the Board. T.W. would like each committee to write up what they think they are responsible for and what they can do without Board approval.

- A. **RE** – Adrienne reported that 5-6 students came each Sunday. They ranged from ages 1-12. RE has reorganized the RE Building, threw away, and clean toys. She stated that a new RE teacher and Coordinator needs to be hired. Danetta and Courtney will help with the interview process.

Angela expressed her appreciation for the Board in supporting her as president. She received a standing ovation for her dedication and the work she had done for the congregation.

Bryan gave closing remarks. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm. The next meeting will be July 22 at 6:30. Minutes recorded by Jane Quan-Bell.

Minutes submitted by:

Merrily Stover
Secretary