

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Benton County

April 14, 2017 Monthly Governing Board Meeting Minutes

The Governing Board of UUBC met on April 14, 2017, at 11:30 a.m. at the office of Karen Tucker. Board members present: Suzanne Miltich, Jim Jensen, Karen Tucker, Kathy Rogers, Richard Bland, and Ellen Tate.

I. Treasurer's Report

Jim Jensen gave the treasurer's report. 3/31/17 balance in account: \$27, 017.00
Monthly expenses approximately \$2000.00

II. Sunday Services

May 7 Tom Simota: No title yet

May 14 Discussion Sunday: Easter Homily and Tom Simota

May 21 "UU in USA: Then and Now" UU history in US, UUA support resources

May 28 No meeting (Memorial Day)

June 4 Rev. Jim Parrish

June 11 Rey Hernandez; Latino History and Experience in NW Arkansas

June 18 Discussion Sunday

June 15 Flower Comunion, Summer-Send Off, and potluck

III. Summer Break? Program?

The Board decided to take a break from regular Sunday services during July and August, meeting only on the first Sunday of July and August for a service with a homily. Other activities will be planned for other weeks during those two months. Pool party/potluck? "Fellowship at the Pub"? A get-together for young adults, with or without children.

IV. World Café

Annual World Café will be held Sunday, April 23. Questions for guiding the meeting were distributed and discussed

V. Team Reports

Stewardship/Administrative Set-Up Team: Karen reported that streamlining set-up is working well. Stewardship drive was discussed. Board will look at various stewardship materials in preparation for our campaign,

Congregational meeting after the service on June 11 to vote on budget.

Worship See above schedule. Discussion of utilizing resources from the Church of the Larger Fellowship. Will start using resources in September.

Spiritual Development/Social Service/Social Justice UUBC Will have volunteers working at the Samaritan House Thrift Store on April 22, 9:30-11:30.

An announcement was made about the Abraham Peace Walk and Bentonville Islamic Center BBQ and Open House on Sunday, April 23, 9:00-2:00.

UUBC needs to donate \$2.00/member to Arkansas UU Social Justice Committee

Membership

Website and Social Media Suzanne mentioned *netfirms* as a possibility to host our website for \$4.45/month. Kathy is researching a proposed social media policy. Kathy and Ellen need to meet to plan management of our Facebook page.

A mailing list and on-line directory was discussed

Greeters. We need to find a new coordinator for greeters. Ellen Bell is moving June 30.

OWL and Board Liaison Kathy will be the OWL program board liaison. The OWL program has started for 4th and 5th graders. Seven children are participating. The dates are 4/2, 4/9, 4/30 5/7, 5/21.

- VI. Banner Update** Karen, Suzanne, and Ellen have gathered fabrics and planned a potential design. Update next month.
- VII. T-Shirt update** Kathy has a source that will provide a place online for members to see and order UUBC t-shirts.
- VIII. Chalice Circle request** We have had a request to start a Chalice Circle with a topic of ethical and moral issues relating to political issues and involvement. The idea will be investigated.
- IX. UUA General Assembly-New Orleans, LA, June 22-25**
- X. The Point Ft. Gibson, OK July 23-28**
- XI. Southern UU Leadership Experience Wirtz, VA August 6-11**
- XII. UUBC to host Spring, 2018, Arkansas Cluster meeting in Benton County**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. by President Suzanne Miltich.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Tate, Secretary