

# Harrisonburg Unitarian Universalists

## Board of Trustees Meeting

Date: July 12, 2015

Time: Noon to 1:30 PM

Grayson, Richard, Rich, Gabriella, Rebecca

### AGENDA

<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion/Decision</b>
<b>a</b>	Moment of reflection/reading of HUU Mission	ALL
<b>b</b>	<b>Volunteer to take minutes</b>	Wendy took minutes
<b>c</b>	Approve June minutes	ALL
<b>d</b>	Review of agenda for changes/additions	Discussion to add
<b>1.</b>	Budget update & proposal on transferring budget surplus	Rich/ALL There is an \$8800 budget surplus. It was Recommend to transfer \$5000 to Building fund and \$3000 to Ministry fund. The recommendation was voted on and passed.
<b>2.</b>	Preliminary report from GA	Linda & Richard Richard – had a good distance experience and Richard voted on several issues and participated in breakout sessions. They recommend inviting more involvement from the congregation on issues in Climate control Accessibility (follow-up on later) and inclusivity He thought there were advantages to participation via distance participation.
<b>3.</b>	Decide date for Board Retreat in August or September	ALL Discussion on dates The board agreed to hold the retreat at Grayson's home on: Sept 12 from 9-4 Followed by discussion of who would be the facilitator. No decision was made on that but there was an agreement to do a potluck meal at the retreat. Additionally, discussion on what types of agenda items might be such as long range plans.
<b>4.</b>	Update on New Office Administrator's orientation	Rich Is pleased with how things are going so far. Next step is to set up meeting with David and Judith. Also to work on the membership directory. Discussion about the e-news.
<b>5.</b>	Review plan to fill Congregational Life Coord. position	Grayson/Rich Discussion on posting for position on craigslist, EMU listing, and DNR. A list of interview questions needs to be decided on. Need to identify interview team – Rich will coordinate. Grayson thought it works well to include other board members and committee chairs. Rich plans to write up the posting for the position.

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6.	Comm. Feedback item: Replacing Lamps in Sanctuary	<p>Grayson</p> <p>Discussion on the replacement of the black torch lamps with something safer option. This was prompted by an email that expressed concern for the fact that one was left on and it was near the curtain. The recommendation was to differ the decision to buildings and grounds. But perhaps a procedural change in making sure they were turned off when not in use would be better.</p>
7.	Other Community Feedback	<p>ALL</p> <p>People loved the flower communion. It was well participated in.</p> <p>The discussion of using the shared ministry room for nursing mothers. There is a recommendation to get a chair for mothers to use during service. Also mention of getting something suitable for a changing table and to make sure that the speakers are connected so that the service can be heard while in the room.</p>
8.	Update from Committees	<p>ALL</p> <p>Gabriella said that she has had conversations with Melissa about the best way that adult volunteers should be utilized in CYCORE during Sunday service. Melissa will brainstorm better ways to communicate a clear understanding for what the adult volunteer role is for CYCORE</p> <p>Social Justice- Pride Festival downtown they are looking for a UU presence at a table at the festival. Will need volunteers. The date for this festival is July 25<sup>th</sup>. Social Justice committee has asked for volunteers. Discussion on upcoming DANA collections – SJ will coordinate going forward.</p>
9.	<p>Discuss joining <b>Harrisonburg Faith In Action</b>, <a href="http://www.harrisonburgfaithinaction.org/">http://www.harrisonburgfaithinaction.org/</a> &amp; facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/faithinactionharrisonburg">https://www.facebook.com/faithinactionharrisonburg</a>. The UUs of Charlottesville participate in that city's similar group, IMPACT. Read about it at <a href="http://impactville.com/">http://impactville.com/</a></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>Recap of the service and discussion about the proposal to apply for membership (~\$500-1500) And 2 members to represent them. It is affiliated with a group we are already members of. It was recommended that this be delegated to social justice committee as to if and how to proceed.</p>

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10	Other	<p>Discussion to add a child dedication ceremony. Discussion regarding communicating what the ceremony is (and isn't) so parents know what to expect. It was stated that this ceremony should be offered only to the children of members of the congregation. Should one of visiting minister perform it? Gabriella will discuss with Judith about when this would be a good fit in the programming. It was suggested that it might coincide with the water service Sept 13th</p> <p>All agreed to donate \$250 (an increase from last years \$200) to International festival and possible table setup at the festival on Sept 26<sup>th</sup>. Recommended that the Social Justice committee might want to get volunteers to be at a table there. Also was mentioned that in the past, the fair trade coffee was sold at the HUU table at the festival.</p>
11	Agenda items for Aug 9 Board meeting	<p>All Grayson, Rich and Gabriella will not be here for the Aug meeting, so a discussion about who would facilitate, or if a meeting would be needed. It was decided that we wouldn't have an August meeting.</p>
12	Comments/Questions/Likes/Dislikes about meeting today	<p>ALL Everyone agreed that the meeting went well. The meeting was and that the meeting was adjourned at 1:25PM. The next meeting will be in Sept. combined with the September 12 retreat.</p>
13	<p>Future Agenda Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More time for UUGA General Assembly report</li> <li>• Board Retreat September 12</li> <li>• Update on Safe Church at future date, ascertain timeline</li> <li>• Determine a date for discussion of strategies worth HUU adoption from the report from the recent SE regional conference that Les and Joni attended</li> </ul>	