Harrisonburg Unitarian Universalists Board of Directors Meeting Minutes December 8, 2024

- 1) Greeting/Welcome/Check-in
- Reading: "Gratitude is the wine for the soul. Go on. Get drunk."
 -Rumi
- 3) Approval of minutes by consent

Approved.

- 4) Board Organizational Issues
 - a) Members present: Nancy Barbour, Moderator; Rich Sider, Treasurer; Irvin Peckham, Secretary; JoAnna Hoover; Bill Weech, Jo Bowman, Rev. Janet Onnie (Online)
- 5) Next Meeting-Sunday, January 12, after service
- 6) Short-term Issues:
 - a. Retreat planning Feb. 1, Bill Weech's house 9 am to 1:30 pm: time, food, preparation, goals for the day: invite Janet. Decision: Board only. We might ask whether she is available via Zoom as needed. Revisit the Mission Statement.
 - i. Bill's comments on his proposed agenda.
 - 50 Nancy suggested that we review carefully Rev Onnie's recommendations and the strategic goals before the retreat
 - 51 Bill suggested that we also review what people told us about the goals.
 - 52 Rev Onnie commented that HUU needs to decide who we want to be: church or social club.
 - 53 Nancy proposed that we take up this question carefully as the exclusive agenda for our next Board meeting.
 - b. Report from Reverend Onnie
 - i. Commending the Caring Circle
 - c. Report from the Shared Ministry Team
 - i. Sandy reported that the main agenda for this week's meeting is to discuss the future form and structure of the SMT.
 - d. Worship Committee: We discussed the possibility of expanding it.
 - e. Report from Finance Committee Rich
 - i. We are financially solvent; addition of several end-of-the-year contributions.
- 7) Long term issues:
 - a. Kai Degner's offer-Listening Cafe
 - i. We need to know more about his suggestion

Adjourned: 1:00

Respectfully Submitted: Irvin Peckham, Secretary 12/14/24