

Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Church

Board of Trustees Meeting

April 17, 2024

Minutes Submitted by Abby Hutchinson – Secretary

Location: Zoom meeting

Attended:

Mary Chimarusti

Abby Hutchinson

Karl Mueller

Hal Meyer

Beth Marshall

Reverend Sarah Prickett

Margaret Davis

Beth Shively

Sara DaSilva

Courtney Thibodeaux

Call to Order: 7:12

Motion to Approve Minutes - Passed

Bylaw Review:

- Mary Chimarusti
- Want to identify what standing circles the church will be organized into
- Edited and summarized
- Should we give the Coordinating Circle Leader and Delegate role set definition?
- Leader- Oversees the operations of the Circle
- Delegate- Communicates with the Parent Circle
- We will simplify the bylaws and remove the names of the Circles

- Reverend Sarah wrote a section that explains how the members are chosen
- Mary Chimarusti will schedule a town hall meeting before May 19th
- Mary will add a definition for coordinating circle in the bylaw
- The congregational meeting will also include a vote on the updated bylaws
- Bylaws need to be finished by this Friday

Budget Report:

- Hal Meyer
- \$66,000 in the church's bank account
- Finances are alright, there may be a slight deficit by the end of the year, but no worry
- The budget will be published and shared with the congregation before the congregational meeting in May
- We are not able to raise Gay Lynn's or Jamie's salary
- Next year we can review our budget again and potentially raise their salaries
- Hospitality expense was increased
- Hal will make minor budget changes
- Jamie will share the revised bylaws
- These budget changes have been approved

Safety Circle

- Safety volunteers will check the building after service
- The Safety Circle will find a new door lock

Trustee Report:

- Reverend Sarah wants to take about 4 months of sabbatical in about 2 years
- The Board has to recommend a new member for the Leadership Development Committee
- Beth Shively will make a Facebook post with the date of the congregational meeting
- The congregational meeting's agenda will be put in the Beacon Bits

Adjourn meeting at 9:07 PM

Next Board of Trustees Meeting - May 22, 2024 at 7:00 PM