

UUSRF board meeting notes, May 17, 2017

Present: Gens Gunelson, Vicki Aarsheim, Trygve Aarsheim, Tera Wells, Brad Moore, Derek Washington, Susan Bushard, Colleen Grey, Jennifer Sobiech-Pariseau

Opening words: Shirley has passed away. She liked Mary Oliver poem: **“when death comes”**

Secretary’s report: moved and accepted

Treasurer’s report: see report in office. Moved and accepted

Caring hands and pastoral report: Celebration of life for Shirley at 3pm Saturday. Cayote Kennedy has his surgery tomorrow.

Old Business

- Home funerals and green burials: Colleen passed out a description of a shorter class. It would be 2 ½ hr class. Cost \$20 per person. Class would be after school starts. We would like to handle it in the following way: give her \$300.00. We would charge \$10.00 to \$20.00 free will donation. Any money above the \$300.00 we keep. We will pre-register for this so she is prepared for the numbers that may show up. We are considering collaborating with the Methodist Church. We would split the take over \$300.00 by 50% and 25% and 25%. Colleen will check out the dates and then talk to Amy (Methodist pastor)
- Self financing: We will rewrite the commercial loan for just under 19,000. We have pledged 89,000. We can determine now we pay per month.

New Business

- Ted Tollefson would like to come to Shirley’s celebration. He is not available for this but would like Derek to read something for Shirley. It is fine that he come to any memorial service here.
- Summer Schedule: Forums and then services so that there is something every Sunday.
- Danger Awareness Communication: Derek presented a draft of a communication. The code word is “vigilance”. If someone perceives a direct threat they will use the word. The word would be used discreetly. If there is an actual threat or danger, they will communicate with all present. Discussion: a code word may not be remembered. A direct communication of concern is better. More later.
- Proposed Children’s SE budget: Derek handed out the proposed budget. Hire a program director for 34 Sundays, or do it half time. Full time it is \$1700.00, half would be \$850.00. Anna is happy to hand off the SE younger group to another person. We are trying to grow so having a person dedicated to the SE work. Brad will look at the budget to see if a full time person is doable. How do we find someone? Derek will check it out. The university may have an interested student.
- Assign delegate credentials: For those attending the General UUA assembly. We have two delegates and one pastor. It is June 21-25. It is in New Orleans. One votes electronically.
- Annual meeting - Agenda: Dick Beckham presiding. Tera will participate. Call for new members. Voting on bylaw changes x 2, Minister contract extension, budget approval, election of at large member and president elect. Presentation of the chili cookoff winner trophy, presentation of new board created award. Wrap up.

- Insurance: our rates have gone up significantly. Brad is investigating. Questions : do we do background checks on our SE teachers. We don't but we will investigate getting these done. We need to post a sign that guns are not allowed here.
- Water heaters need replacing. We will buy a tankless water heater. Tony has made an estimate for Soffit and fascia replacement: two days. For another \$1000.00 he will restrain the building.
- Nellie wants to start a support group for parents of kids with autism.
- Are we going to do an installation service for Derek. It wasn't done for Ted. UUA does this to welcome a new Minister. Do it as a first Sunday in September. Derek will call and ask them.