



## Board Meeting Minutes February 18, 2014

Board Members Attending: Jack Harvey, President  
Jo Shaffer, Vice President  
Ken Sizemore, Treasure  
Dianna Avrigian, Secretary  
Charissa Thacker, Member at Large  
Christine May, Member at Large  
Ruby Jo Faust, Member at Large  
Tish McSharry, Member at Large

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm, by President, Jack Harvey

Lighting of the Chalice: Tisha McSharry, Member at Large

Board Covenant read by all present in unison, UUFBC Board Agenda topics were open for discussion

- **Secretary:** Dianna Avrigian presented, to the Board, the Minutes for the January meeting. President, Jack Harvey asked if there was any information that needed to be added or corrected. Additional RE information was added and sent to all members prior to meeting. Ken Sizemore, Treasure motioned to accept the January Board Meeting Minutes, Christine May second the motion all Board Members were in favor.
- **Treasurer Report:** Ken Sizemore reported on **Income:** significant for the month was our fund raiser bringing in \$1,450., bringing the total to \$3,200. year to date leaving only \$1,700 more to meet our goal. Plate income is moving along and Ken believes we will exceed our goal of \$5,500. Musician, Jim Scott's payment was budgeted to Community Life. Our pledging is somewhat behind however, our income so far this year exceeds our expenditures.  
**Expenditures:** Guest Speakers, Musicians, RE Coordinator and taxes related to that position. Insurance payment, UUA quarterly payment. Electrical work. Ear-marked from this years budget is the training seminar

and travel expenses for the RE Coordinator to attend the annual UUA General Assembly. Christine May motioned to accept the report, Jack Harvey second, all members agreed. **Discussion:** Vice President, Jo Shaffer suggested the benefit of another Board Member or Committee Chair to attend the GA. President, Jack Harvey agreed noting the visitors/guest speakers who attended UUFBC after last years assembly. Some financial consideration from the budget might be available for another member to attend. Future discussion will be considered. Treasurer reminded the Board of the pledges not made, during last months report. Contact with some of the members regarding their pledges have been successful, however, close to an \$8,000 shortage in the budget could be possible. A review of the areas that could be reduced agreed on by the Board.

- **Social Justice:** The committee led their participation in three events. Goodwill Americorp's Clean-a-Park on Jan 17, NAACP's Breakfast MLK Parade, Jan 18. The committee planning meeting held Feb. 5, held discussion on; **1)** agreed to hold a **tabling event** in March to build support for UU Social Justice issues, with educational material, petitions, post cards to elected officials and information on attending UU Justice Florida's Tally Days to lobby state legislators. **2)** agreed to **maintain a bulletin board** to highlight UUFBC's local SJ activities only. **3)** agreed to develop a process to **track expenses for SJ projects and reimburse volunteers** for expenditures from our budget as needed, as far as possible. Bob Gilmore, Chairman for the committee agreed to develop and submit a proposed budget for 2014-2015 as well as a "Generous Spirit Wish List" for members who might sponsor a specific event for teens. **4)** agreed to **research a local SJ environmental issue for emphasis on Earth Day.** **5)** tentatively agreed to encourage volunteers **to help assemble raised beds and an irrigation system in a Community Garden**, as feasible in partnership with DCF. **On Feb. 9,** volunteers Chris May, Arthur Smallidge and Robbie Williams led a successful kitchen skills class for four(4) teens by involving them in the preparation of a meal and providing them a handout on basic kitchen necessities. **On Feb. 21 & 22,** Cheryl Kellog is inviting teens to participate in Mardi Gras parades in St. Andrews to support **Resource Management Association (RMA).** Cheryl is asking for UU volunteers to ride floats or walk the parade route, but has not received much support.
- **Vision and Growth:** On February 23 the team lead a (2) hour discussion on the (5) Year Plan approved by the Fellowship last year.

Vision & Growth Presentation:

- I. Introduction to the Process.....Jack Harvey
- II. Overview of Strategic Plan.....Jo Shaffer
- III. Statistics on UUFBC Growth.....Al Burgermeister
- IV. Highlights for the Future..... Chris May
- V. Recommendations.....Cathy Rifenburg
- VI. Feedback & Discussion.....John Shaffer

\*V Considerations included:

- · Space issues, second service, parking, classroom space for children / nursery
- · Hiring Administrator (next year)
- · Involve more people, grow the fellowship, increase membership