



Board Meeting Minutes: Jan. 19, 2015

Attendees: Cathy Rifenburg, Chris May, Diane Mouskourie, Janet Cross, Jeff Livingston, Cheryl Kellogg

Absent: Christopher Dixon, Bob Nixon **Guest:** Ken Sizemore

| Agenda Item | By | Discussion | Action taken |
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| Secretary's report | Diane Mouskourie | - Three errors found. | -Approved with minor edits. |
| Treasurer's Report | Ken Sizemore Cathy Rifenburg | - Ken said it was the first time he can remember that 8 members have actually paid up on their pledges since he's been involved. It makes the budget look good but it will balance out in the end he said. -There are line items in current budget that probably won't be used but the board has the option to vote changes in order to come out even. -Expenses to this point are typical. -Announced plans for the April yard sale fundraiser. | - Approved. |

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| <p>President's report and Resource Development update (no leader as of yet)</p> | <p>Cathy Rifenburg</p> | <p>--Cathy said she serves as liaison for Resource Development with Chris Dixon. No leader has been signed up yet. With the pledge season just around the corner she has selected a pledge committee (Fred Beauchemin, Ken Sizemore, Nancy Schlagheck, Cathy Rifenburg and Chris Dixon). The committee plans to meet monthly through April to develop a package for members. Cathy said it will be extremely important for the UUFBC to maintain a concentrated effort to raise funds without the appearance of always having our hands out, as well as finding new ways to have fundraising events.</p> <p>-With a core group of about 6-7 large pledges it hurts the fellowship when one or more of those members leaves. We have to grow in order to do anything significant with our budget. Therefore it is imperative to increase the number of members we can count on regularly.</p> <p>-Above all Cathy said we need to be a church about deeds not creeds.</p> <p>Also, it is important to build up the Leadership Development team since it should continuously be advising the board on new leadership candidates.</p> | <p>- No Action.</p> |
| <p>Social Justice</p> | <p>In lieu of Bob Nixon attending, a report was sent for review</p> | <p>- It was announced that Nikki Simons has resigned as co-chair of the BYILD team and Bob Gilmore will serve as interim.</p> <p>-Jo reports that there will be several new opportunities to become more involved with our foster youth.</p> <p>-Jo asked for the board's approval to place BYILD announcements on bulletin board.</p> <p>-The team discussed new topics to involve the youth during class meetings: clothing care, career opportunities for women in the military, backpacking, diving exploration and cooking.</p> <p>Members at January meeting: Harriett Myers, Jo Shaffer, Judy Stapleton, Bob Nixon, Bob Gilmore, Ruby Jo Faust and new member Dennis Scott.</p> | <p>- NO Action.</p> |

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| Faith Development | Janet Cross Cathy Rifenburg | <p>- Janet asked the board to find helpers to open and close the building on service days since it is not fair to ask Chris and Steve Dixon to do it every Sunday. Volunteers would need to be available at 8:30 a.m. to set up chairs, make coffee. A master list of duties will be created and available for review at podium and in office.</p> <p>-It was suggested that the time between the two services be changed to 30 minutes. This should allow for adequate social time. It was decided that the date for this to take affect would be March 6. Announcements will be made at each service before that to remind members of the change.</p> <p>-Cathy suggested that the board to develop a ministerial search strategy and announced that the Religious Exploration Search committee continues its job in hopes of hiring someone to replace Tiffany in May.</p> | - Approved change in time of second service to 10:30 beginning March 6. |
| Vision & Growth | Jeff Livingston | -Jeff announced the creation of an annual membership survey to be delivered to members by email or distribute printed copies at the fellowship. Members will be urged to participate. | - NO Action. |
| UU Environment | Cheryl Kellogg | -Nothing new to report. | -NO Action. |
| **Closed discussion | All | -The board discussed ways of handling a disruptive visitor and various ways to handle announcements unrelated to UU business. | -NO Action |
| Close of Meeting | All | -Adjourned 9 p.m. Next meeting 02/16/16, 6:30 p.m | -NO Action |

Minutes respectfully submitted, Diane Mouskourie, board secretary