# **UUFBR** Board of Trustees Meeting

Minutes April 2021 Date: April 26, 2021 Time: 7:00 PM

## In Attendance:

#### **Board Members:**

Sandy Troiano, co-president Paul Libert, treasurer Ron Lovell Carrie Viles Louise Malusis, co-president Barbara Messick Louis Merlin, secretary Carlton Devot (late)

#### **Guests:**

Reverend Harris Barb and Bill Jensen Patricia Rogers Celia Hirsch Elon Bateman

## Agenda Item 1: Chalice Lighting

Ron led us with a new chalice lighting reading.

#### Agenda Item 2: Called to Order 7:12 PM

Called to order with a quorum of 7 trustees by Sandy Troiano.

#### Agenda Item 3: Affidavit on Board Emergency Action

Affidavit has been signed by one co-president and two other board members and has distributed to the board by the secretary.

## Agenda Item 4: Approval of Minutes

Minutes from March 23, 2021 Board Meeting.

Minutes from Annual Congregational Meeting on March 28, 2021.

Louise made a motion that we approve congregational meeting minutes. Carrie seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Barbara made a motion for approval of the March 23<sup>rd</sup> board meeting minutes. Ron seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### Agenda Item 5: Dumpster Issue

Board discussed relocating dumpster versus wire burial issue. Ron moved and Louise seconded motion to consider a southeast location for dumpster that would remove two parking spaces.

Patricia recommends adding landscaping for dumpster.

Ron, Louis, and Patrick will investigate dumpster relocation. George Legati and Gary Toll are potential references for contractors.

Current contractor quote is for \$10,500.

# Agenda Item 6: Fire Safety Equipment Issue

Paul reviewed contractor proposals to replace all fire extinguishers and fire exit signs. He recommended Dade Broward Fire Safety with a quote of \$3,348. Ron moved to accept proposal. Louis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## Agenda Item 7: Fire Alarm System Issue

Originally, we were told by the City of Boca Raton fire inspector that we could not open without new fire alarms systems in place. But later when we investigated, as an older building we may not have to comply with current fire code.

Current code requires installing a new fire system in the main building including pull stations, smoke detectors, horns and strobes to alert occupants of a fire or potential fire.

Currently the board has received a single proposal for installing new fire systems with a proposed cost of \$27,500. Hearing of board members, current majority leans towards installing a new fire alarm system.

Alternative is to have a fire watch. Fire watch would require a trained person only observing the building for fire whenever it is occupied.

# Agenda Item 8: Windstorm Insurance

We are receiving proposals for windstorm insurance around \$6,000. Proposals are still being received. Adding windstorm may involve switching our other insurance coverage as well. We are also exploring expanding the amount of insurance coverage to cover the XXX cost.

# Agenda Item 9: Fundraising and Capital Campaign

Considering the dumpster issue, the fire alarm system issue, the need for a new fridge and freezer, and the need for windstorm insurance, the congregation needs something between \$45,000 – 60,000 in emergency capital and operational needs.

Louis proposed that the board plan a Town Hall discussion of issues on Thursday. May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM, call for congregational meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup>, and hold a congregational meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Board will meet on Monday May 10<sup>th</sup> to put together the plan.

Carlton seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

## Agenda Item 10: UUA Delegates

Lynn Smith is attending and willing to be delegate. UUA General Assembly is online from June 23-27, 2021. Ron nominates Lynn Smith and Louise Malusis as our UUA delegates. Paul opposed. Louise abstains. Motion passes.

#### Agenda Item 11: Letter to Boy Scouts

Patrick will write a thank you letter and Sandy and Louise will sign.

#### Board Welcomes

May 2, Carlton Devot

May 9, Paul Libert May 16, Sandy Troiano May 23, Louise Malusis May 30, Barbara Messick

The board members having exhausted their capacity for productive functioning, the meeting adjourned at 9:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Louis Merlin