



Unitarian Universalist Church in Reston

Board Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2008

President Ed McClaran called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Board members in attendance: Ed McClaran, Myles Flint, Lesley Tyson, Romney Wright, David Drake, Eileen Roehr, Beth Hauck, Bob Anthony and Anne Thomas. Also present: Sydney Wilde, Dennis Daniels, Mary Ann East, Keturah Collins, and Bill Thomas

Reports:

- Staff reports were received from the Dennis Daniel and Sydney Wilde, Mary Ann East, James Hutchinson and Alison Eskildsen. Comments: Request to have more publicity about events like the dedication of the bells in memory of the Mangolds. Emergency contact numbers need to be visibly posted on the outside of the church. The ministers and possibly the board presidents numbers will be posted.
- Myles Flint reported on the Leadership council meeting.
- Keturah Collins reported on the Building Expansion Committee progress.
- Bill Thomas presented the Capital Campaign report.
- Next month calendar review. Association Sunday was discussed. Capital Campaign leadership event is Sept 21st after 2nd service. October 18th is the Capital Campaign gala event.

New Business/Discussion Topics:

- Board Objectives for 2008-09. Ed presented a draft proposal for board objectives and asked the board to send him comments. When the objectives are finalized, Ed will write an article for the newsletter setting forth the objectives.
- Timing of Ministers' Departure. Personnel committee to work on the plan for terminating the ministers contract.
- UUA Request for Names of Significant Donors. The UUA is planning a media blitz for the Washington/ Baltimore area and requesting that UUCR sign on as a participant. There was some concern with the timing as it right when we are asking for the money for the Capital Campaign. Sydney will get more information for the board as to the timing and the amount of money required. The Board agreed that it would be desirable to participate as long as the timing worked for us.
- Board "Wish List" -- The Board discussed the concept of a wish list to fund needed items such as a dishwasher, podium, leadership training scholarships. The Board would like to defer implementing the "wish list" until after the 1st of the year so as to not overwhelm members with asks for money.
- Funds to Eliminate Potential Trip Hazard at Front of Church -- Need to have Building and Grounds Committee with cost estimates and a request for funds to do this repair.
- Plan for Next Deep Chair -- possibly October 13th and we will discuss Board/Staff Covenant.
- Plan for Board and Staff Covenant for 2008-09 -- set for deep chair
- Plan for Congregational Covenant -- Board agreed to start the work for a Congregational Covenant. No lead identified??

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Thomas