

April 2023 UUCR Board Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2023 (April 2023 Meeting postponed to this date)
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

In Attendance: Rev. Scott Alexander, Holly Anderson, Craig Anderson, Kathy Deligianis, Jesse Fortner, Joanne Jessen, Carol Plumlee

Absent: Anna Wesley

Chalice Lighting and Check-In: President Holly Anderson called the meeting to order at 7 pm with these quotes:

“By replacing fear of the unknown with curiosity we open ourselves up to an infinite stream of possibility. We can let fear rule our lives or we can become childlike with curiosity, pushing our boundaries, leaping out of our comfort zones, and accepting what life puts before us.” - Alan Watts

“Conflict exists strictly as an opportunity to raise our consciousness.” - Carl Jung

Consent Agenda: Being as there were no corrections or additions to the Minutes of the Special Congregational Meeting to call Aileen Fitzke as the Settled Minister for UUCR, they will be forwarded to Beth for posting on the Website.

Treasurer’s Report: The primary agenda item was to review the detailed budget for the 2023-2024 church year. Carol Plumlee led the discussion and fielded the questions from the Board members. The budget had been previously reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee. Carol reported that, as of this date, pledges for the upcoming year are at 88% of target. **The Board voted to approve the proposed budget for the 2023-2024 church year.**

President’s Report: Holly Anderson discussed the agenda for the upcoming Annual Fiscal Meeting on May 21. The vote on the budget will be preceded by slides explaining the major take-aways from the proposed budget and will include a vote to increase the 4% distribution from the endowment fund to 5% for the upcoming year. Meagan Pittluck-Schmitt will present the report of the Endowment Committee. The Board discussed the vote for the 8th Principle with the majority agreeing that the vote should occur and, if the 8th Principle is approved, be seen as only the beginning of conversations and commitment to action regarding antiracism.

Vice-President’s Report: Mark reported that the Ministerial Evaluation will be shared with Rev. Scott in the near future.

Minister’s Report: Rev. Scott discussed his schedule for his final months at UUCR. His sermon topic for May 21 will be Journey Toward Wholeness.”

The Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. The next Board meeting will be May 25 on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Jessen