

UUCO B Board Meeting Minutes, Sunday, January 25, 2015

Luanne, Victoria, Vicki, Greg, Shaundi, Carla, Cheryl, Walter in attendance

1: Check in: Cheryl has her home construction done, Greg has a porch; Happy Birthday, Carla (yesterday); Walter embarking on a new course commitment.

Vicki had an inspiring invocation: Finding our way home.

2. Walter was process observer, with the goal of keeping us on track to be done by 2:00 pm.

3. Minutes: Greg motioned to approve, Cheryl seconded, all approved.

4. Cheryl presented the finance update: Amazon donations are low--could be Christmas donations had not come up yet. Cheryl said RE can use refreshments budget as well as charge for new member materials.

5. February is budget month and pledge drive month, Cheryl will send out statements to members. Cheryl will annualize expenses, to emphasize the importance of pledge revenues. Moving forward we need to match pledges with upcoming expenses. Having our fence replaced will be our next big expense to cover. Luanne will confirm leader of pledge drive after she makes related phone call/email contact.

6. Leadership development Committee update. Terry declined, but Cris Surbeck and Dan Mattern have stepped forward. Luanne will ask Brittainy to participate as third member of this leadership team.

7. February 1, We'll have Congregational meeting on the amendment for a staggered board, and will finalize it with UUCO member support. This will be the second time we'll have a vice president become president.

8. We discussed board support for the visit of the Tibetan Monks--- financial in nature. Cheryl suggested we contribute and could be generous as with the Monks as we have only spent a quarter of the \$4000 budgeted for outside speakers. With the \$200 donated towards a workshop and additional individual contributions, we now have \$300 being donated to the monks. Board agreed, Cheryl motioned to contribute \$500, Greg seconded, and all were in favor. We each agreed to consider donating to the monks, as individuals.

9. With the last cottage dinner at Elaine and Dan's, we have 60% of the data; we'll consider the rest at the next meeting, and discuss what to do after the final cottage dinner on January 29. (We noted that the dinner season started November 1 and ran until January 29<sup>th</sup>).

10. Spring fling --Carnival was brought up by Walter. Group decided it was worthy of a lot more discussion than we have time for today.

9. We were approached to be a sponsor of for a social justice documentary in Oxford, *Shadows of Liberty*, FEATURING Danny Glover, Julian Assange, Dan Rather, and others. We agreed to look at the trailer so we can vote whether to sponsor this event on February 28, at Square Books. Can we agree to look at the trailer and vote by Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> of January?

10. We'd like more local visibility of our UUCO, within local Sand Hill Community, perhaps using a marquee. Louise Boston had asked if we could have something on our door to show what we are doing each week? We discussed getting a posting board or a trail brochure box or corkboard over our door. Could this be put on Brian's to-do list.

11. Surprise new agenda item: Sandra was asked to look into a permanent sign and she did. She learned a metal sign could be made for \$250, plus a frame for an additional \$250, 4 feet by 3 feet. The sign would give date founded, spell out the UUCO name, and have the website address on it, and could use the old-time chalice logo. ( After formally adjourning, we discussed it might be best to get a flexible banner that would be larger, more visible and less expensive.)

12. We discussed the need for spring clean up. If we set the date for March 28, we might be able to have university student volunteers help us with clearing brush from around the road signs, perhaps taking down the fence. Greg motioned for the date to us to set the work date for March 28<sup>th</sup>, Victoria seconded, and all were in favor. Greg will put our information into the University email list, with the work session time will be set for 10 am-1 pm

13. Next board meeting set for February 24, at 6:30 pm at Tapas.

Board meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm . Minutes respectfully submitted by Victoria.