

March 9, 2014

Board members present:

Cris Surbeck, Shaundi Wall, Greg Johnson, Luanne Buchanan, Allen Leache

Started at 12:30 p.m.

1. Check-in and brief reflections

2. Approval of February 2 minutes

Minutes were slightly amended to include an Oxford comma. Board members commented on need to put minutes on web site after they've been approved, rather than when they're sent out with the agenda of the following board meeting.

3. Trustee and other reports

RE - Cris has arranged with Vicki Reithel to do art projects in honor of visit by Rev. Morales.

Membership – June 2013 directory and recent update were circulated to the board. Shaundi will get UU Connections forms from Allen to add to her information. Shaundi wants to set up a spreadsheet rather than word document for keeping track of this.

Sunday Service – Greg and others have been extremely busy preparing for Morales visit (see below).

LDC – It's certain that we will need to find new trustees for RE and Sunday services, as well as a new secretary.

Allen thinks we should review LDC and how it functions.

Staffer – Luanne reported on the successful hiring of Sandra Moss.

Covenant groups – Allen reported that there has been an excellent turn-out of 10 people at 3 meetings so far, and they are planning a project.

Social justice - Allen reported that there is a group currently comprising 5 people.

Work day for visit by Peter Morales - Congratulations and heartfelt thanks were extended to work group - Greg, Pat, Gail, Shaundi, Brittainy, Allen's wheelbarrow, Kaitlynn Dillard, Vicki Reithel.

Building issues – We have a leaky toilet, which will be investigated before Rev. Morales's visit.

4. Visit of Rev. Peter Morales

There is a committee in place. He will arrive on March 22, leave on March 23 after the service. Logistics as follows:

Airport pickup by Carlton Smith

Lunch with UUCO people

Saturday event, Bryant Hall, opening at 4:30 with talk at 5:00; closing at 6:30; reception costs covered in part by Mid-South District via Carlton Smith

Take-down group after event

Dinner with board, with Rev. Morales and district reps as our guests

N. Lamar Lusa for breakfast on Sunday morning, 8 a.m.

Shaundi proposed a news packet for PM, willing to do it as well as press release. With time being of the essence, she is ready to go, and board approved.

5. Pledging/budgeting process

UUCO bylaws say we should hold the annual congregational meeting in April, and at which time we approve the next year's budget and a slate of officers proposed by the Leadership Development Committee. Given the work required for Rev. Morales's visit, this discussion will be held at the next board meeting.

6. Creation of Give-Away-the-Plate policy

Draft of ideas was sent to board members along with

Policy proposal will be brought by Luanne and Allen to next meeting for vote.

7. Parent Tree - shall we plant?

Board approves expenditure of funds collected for this purpose, after verifying amount is sufficient and weather is good.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.