

- Location: UU Hall
- Date: 2013-10-20
- In Attendance: Cris, Luanne, James, Allen, Greg, Shaundi, Lizzy, Cheryl
- Start Time: 12:30
- Minutes
  - Board Minutes Approved
  - Luanne read a passage from Our Chosen Faith and lit the Chalice.
  - Allen read a passage from Building a Beloved Community.
    - UU is not a faith of Saints or Souls, but one of all Sorts.
    - Are we ready to answer the question: Are we saved?
    - Newcomers need to be informed that their beliefs will be confirmed but their prejudices will be confronted.
  - Luanne reminds us that there is no financial update from Cheryl. (Cheryl was absent at the beginning of the meeting.)
  - A Compassion Committee is being formed and is currently staffed by Laura H and Elaine G.
    - An issue is raised that a man needs to be on this committee. Discussion follows.
    - Shaundi agrees to contact Paul G to be on this panel.
    - Discussion on who needs to be the contact person on bereavement issues.
    - Discussion on our Leadership Development Committee.
  - Discussion on our Board Covenant. Shaundi passes out her draft to the board.
    - We agree to make minor changes but overall the Board Covenant looks good.
    - We all vote (8 in favor, none opposed) and agree to accept the draft of our Board Covenant provided minor edits have been made.
  - Our Board is divided on the Oxford Comma.
  - Shaundi announces her frustration with the Order of Service template on our website. James agrees to change the format of the templates to an older version of Microsoft Word.
  - James discusses using Creative Commons for our website content.
  - Lizzy agrees to finalize our new communications policy at our next board meeting.
  - Luanne agrees to set up a 3-, 5-, or 10-year plan for our board.
  - Basic Idea: We need to have a plan before we ask people for money.
    - Allen and Greg suggest that we have a separate meeting just for this topic since it is very ambitious.
    - Allen, Shaundi, and Cheryl agrees to form our guidelines for a Plan Framework for our next meeting.
  - Allen wants to create home meeting where we serve Chicken and Dumplings.
  - Luanne begins discussion of a Bookkeeper. We bring up Martha again as a potential bookkeeper.
    - CHERYL SAYS SHE WOULD NOT MIND BEING THE BOOKKEEPER (for now)
  - Luanne begins discussion of our visit from Rev. Peter Morals. All we really know is that he will arrive in the Spring (probably April).
  - Luanne begins discussion of planting a "parent tree" on our property. This tree would be planted in memory of the parents that have passed in the past year.
  - Luanne begins discussion of a "safe congregation" policy for our youth. Luanne and Cris agree to put together a policy on how to vet potential childcare providers.
  - Lizzy discusses an "Building Committee". General consensus is that we are not doing enough as a community.
  - Allen mentions the need for a Active Listening group.
    - Shaundi wants this part of our 3-, 5-, or 10-year plan.
    - Allen wants a survey so that we have an inventory of our available skills and talents in the congregation.
    - Lizzy agrees form this committee.
  - Lizzy asks the Board to allow a Give Away The Plate to needy child in our community, which will be entrusted to the local Girl Scout Troop leader (and not be given to the mother). Luanna agrees to look up our Give Away The Plate policy.
  - Allen wants to revisit our name use policy.
- End Time: 2:09 PM

