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We are a vibrant spiritual
community awakening
each life to the Christ
within.

Unity of Fairfax Board of Trustees

Monthly Meeting, November 14, 2022

Board Members Present	Others Present	Board Members Absent
Russell Heiland, Senior Minister	Rev. Sherrie Quander	
Julie Fisher, First Chair		
Ed Merritt, Second Chair		
Dave Richardson, Treasurer		
Marangely Sandvik, Keeper of the Flame		
Midd Hunt, Member at Large		
Bowman Kell, Secretary		

Quorum present? Yes

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm EST

Executive Session

An Executive Session was called to order at 7:10 pm EST and ended at 7:49 pm EST.

Minister’s Report: Attached as Appendix 1

Financial Report: <https://www.unityoffairfax.org/board-financial-statements>

Committee Reports: N/A

Old business:

Benevolence Fund replenishment: Russ reported that a \$500 donation has been made which replenishes the Fund.

Congregation feedback from Annual Meeting and Sacred Service Meeting: The Board discussed feedback from the November 6th Annual Membership meeting and the November 12th Sacred Service Council meeting. Both meetings generated creative income generating ideas in addition to providing reactions to the six Pathways described at the Annual Membership meeting. Teresa Accomando volunteered to help take these ideas to the next stage by organizing and prioritizing, in addition to reviewing them against work done as a part of Vision 2020 workstreams.

New business:

EarthCare request: Via email, Jeff Johnson, EarthCare Ministry & Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions (FACS) representative, reported the EarthCare Ministry in partnership with the Unity of Fairfax Board of Trustees has annually contributed \$500.00 as a year-end contribution to FACS. On November 8, 2022, the EarthCare Ministry Team approved a \$250.00 contribution from its Sacred Grounds Fund; and requested a matching \$250.00 contribution from the Board of Trustees. The Board agreed to fund this match as a tithe to FACS.

Roles for 2023 Board: A preliminary document was shared regarding the Officers (1st chair, 2nd chair, Treasurer and Secretary); as well as other roles and liaisons for the 2023 Board members. The Board agreed to further discern what is theirs to do and discuss at the December Board meeting.

Motions:

MOTION: Approval of October 25, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Russell Heiland moved, Ed Merritt seconded, unanimously approved.

MOTION: Approval of November 6, 2022 Annual Membership Meeting Minutes
Julie Fisher moved, Ed Merritt seconded, unanimously approved.

MOTION: Julie moved the Board of Trustees tithes \$250.00 to Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions (FACS) matching EarthCare's contribution to this organization
Julie Fisher moved, Ed Merritt seconded, unanimously approved.

Upcoming Dates:

Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting on Dec 13th 7-9:30 pm EDT

Strategic Goals

2022-2023 Progress Log on Minister's Goals is available [here](#).

Discussion Items

Review comments from Annual Meeting and November 12 SSC meeting in re solidifying our financial future.

Action Items

Nothing for this report.

Information Items

Unity of Fairfax will celebrate 20 years in the building on Sunday, November 13, 2022. Dedication service was November 17, 2002.

Offices will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 25.

Unity will host the TransGender Day of Remembrance Service on Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 7 pm. I will participate via Zoom from Indiana.

The Metaphysical Group will not meet on November 20. I will lead a series about Christmas in the Group Nov. 27 – December 18. The Group will not meet on 12/25 or 1/1/23.

Blue Christmas service will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022.

Concelebrants include Rev. Kris from Celebration CSL, Rev. Ryan from Soul Evolution Collaborative. Both participated in the New Thought Renaissance on October 2.

Celebration of Life service for Julius Hankin will be on Sunday, December 4, 2022 at 2 pm.

YFM Themed Sunday will be on Sunday, December 18, 2022. Gingerbread House making will be that day. I am endeavoring to get YFM parents who are not yet Voting Members to join the church that day.

Christmas Eve service will be at 7 pm on December 24.

Patie Wilcox is coordinating a light luncheon after service on Christmas Day. We will be requesting sign ups.

New Year's Eve Burning Bowl service will be at 7 pm on December 31.

For New Year's Day, I will lead a special service called the "White Stone Service."