



Unity of Fairfax Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes August 18, 2018

Attendees

Board Members Present	Others Present	Board Members Absent
Russell Heiland, Senior Minister		
Gail Hughes, 1 st Chair		
Nancy Schneider, Secretary		
Jody Ruth, Treasurer		
John Dickman		
Laura Berry		
Millicent Eubanks		
Teresa Accomando		

Quorum present? Y

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Scheduled Business:

- Review/Synthesis of Community Dialogue feedback.
- Jody will compose a job description for a Business Manager.
- Laura will continue refining a proposal for technology use in board meetings.
- John will get bids on parking lot and sidewalk repairs.
- Teresa is creating the New Trustee Orientation.
- Nancy will finalize the Sacred Safety Policy for YFM.

Reports

Minister’s Report - Attached as Appendix 1

Motion: Russell made a motion that Eric Cangemi, Marangely Sandvik, and Jackie Simpson be approved for voting membership with installation taking place at 2nd service on September 16. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Gail made the motion that any unspent funds of the \$7,000 augmentation donated to the restricted labyrinth fund will be refunded prorata to the donors. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report - See August 5, 2018 powerpoint which is posted on the website here: <https://www.unityoffairfax.org/content/community-dialog-meetings>

Closing, Pray-Out and Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings and Dates

- The next Board of Trustees meeting is Sept 20, 2018.
- Next Community Dialogue Meeting is November 4, 2018

APPENDIX 1

Minister's Report * August 18, 2018

TWO (2) ACTION ITEMS:

1 - The following individuals in the current new members' class have expressed the desire to become voting members of Unity of Fairfax. *I move that Eric Cangemi, Marangely Sandvik, and Jackie Simpson be approved for voting membership with installation taking place at 2nd service on September 16.* Note: There are two others in the class who are still in discernment about joining. The last class is Monday, 27. Ron Karstetter is leading the class and asked them whether they intend to join or not. He shared with them the Board is meeting on August 18, and to have their intention known by then would be beneficial. If the others come forward and state their desire to join, I will contact Gail.

2 – I ask the Board to agree to the following meeting schedule for 2019:

Regular monthly meeting on the 4th Thursday of the month (current practice)

January Retreat – January 25 – 27, 2019 (Off site)

February Community Dialogue Meeting – February 10, 2019

May Community Dialogue Meeting – May 19, 2019

August Community Dialogue Meeting – August 18, 2018

November Annual Membership Meeting – per Bylaws first Sunday in November (11/3/19).

Note 1: Having the Community Dialogue Meetings the first Sunday of the month makes it very difficult to compile accurate financials. Moving the date will make it easier to provide more time to compile accurate information.

Note 2: It's important to give the Board nominees these dates to ensure their participation.

Note 3: I'm not sure that setting meeting dates requires a motion, thus I'm simply asking for agreement; unless the Board thinks a motion is warranted.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

There were 51 people who attended the movie “13th” on August 10, 30 of whom pre-registered. Jacquie Smith led a powerful discussion afterwards.

I counted 113 at the Rev. Edwene Gaines prosperity workshop on August 12.

Please plan to attend the September 8 SSC meeting. The October 13 SSC meeting will be a Spiritual Gifts Workshop led by Ron Karstetter and Bowman Kell.

Suzanne Giesemann will be speaking on Tuesday, September 11. She has a large following, and this should provide great marketing and income for the church. As of August 14, 43 are pre-registered.

I will be at a family reunion August 24-27. Rev. Toni Fish, Sr. Minister at Unity in Frederick, MD will be guest speaker on August 26. She is 2nd Chair of the UWM Board.

I'm working closely with Bev Ellis to ensure we have a strong start to the YFM year.

Unity World Day of Prayer service will be on Thursday, September 13 at 7:30 pm. This is the 25th WDP.

CommUnity Fun Fest is coming together. Please plan to donate, attend and spend(!) on September 15.

Unity Awakening 2018 will be based on the book *Practical Metaphysics* by Eric Butterworth.

Kathy Dickman is coordinating small groups. Fran Patchett has written the draft of the study guide. Facilitator training will be on September 23, and the series will begin on October 7.

I will be at Bethany Beach (thanks, Primo Teamo!) September 21 – 28. Guest speaker on September 23 will be Rev. Sandra Butler.