

UUCC
 BOARD OF STEWARDS MEETING
 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

<i>Attending</i>	Rita Beasley, Bob Davis, Eric Gee, Barbara Lent, Montana Higgins, Brian Stevens, Rev. Terre
<i>Centering, Reading of Board Covenant</i>	Brian lit the candle while Eric gave a reading. We read the Board Covenant together.
OLD BUSINESS/ APPROVAL ITEMS:	
<i>Minutes, Membership Info</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are asking Lisa to send out the minutes from the August meeting through e-mail, so we can approve them in the next few days. • No new members
REPORTS & NEW BUSINESS	
<i>Discuss Minister's Report</i>	<p>In addition to the information in the written report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We've asked the Committee on Ministry to begin work on a contract for Rev. Terre. • We considered holding a Thanksgiving dinner for any who may be left out at the holidays. Since we like the warmth of a private home, Rev. Terre will ask around about whether there is anyone who would consider hosting an event. At this point, we don't have a feel for whether there's a need. • Annette Marquis is planning to be here October 23-25. We opted not to have a congregational meeting on the 23rd, but will have a Leadership meeting with the Board, LC and CoM on the morning of the 24th (9am until 12:30pm). Our interest would be her advice about how to make the decision at the end of Rev. Terre's term. She will also be our speaker on the 25th, and we would ask her to encourage conversation with the congregation after the service. • The Muslim group who has been using our church would like our Board to meet with their leaders on October 4. While not all of us can attend, several will be able to represent us. • Rev. Terre continues to work with Rev. Pupke from First Church, finding more things we can do jointly (ie the 16-Step Group). • The next New to UUCC class is September 26th
<i>Moderator Updates</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We've discovered we need to improve the process regarding salary changes. Terre is working with Susan Kennedy on procedures. • The church lock-up procedures need to be re-instituted. We will take responsibility for the rest of September; OC will take October; LC November. • The Board will meet next Tuesday (9/22) at 7pm for the initial Focus Group meeting for the Decision-Making Process. We need to actively talk with others about this important process, to make it work. • Feedback from some "newish" members is that some don't feel part of our community. We need to continue to be aware of those needs.

<i>Discuss Council / Committee Reports</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance: Brian <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ We reviewed in detail the cash projections for this year. The Finance committee recommends we re-evaluate the budget in January to see if changes are needed. ▶ The Finance committee also feels we shouldn't pull any money from the Maintenance reserve this year. ▶ Growth of membership is crucial, to fend off drastic budget cuts next year. ▶ Statements from the first quarter (going out mid-October), will include a letter from Eric with concerns about sustaining the budget. • OC: Bob <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ After discussion, we decided to go forward with putting windows in all our interior doors. The cost is \$2600, which will come from the Maintenance reserve fund. ▶ We will announce the pending fire drill at the 10/4 service, and the actual drill will be on 10/18. ▶ Bob is working on getting bids for providing PC support to the office. • LC: Rita <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ In the recent LC meeting, they discussed more about the goal around spirituality. They'll put more detail to it at their next meeting. ▶ The Communication/Publicity/Marketing team is working. There will be a website demo between services on 9/27. ▶ Reports from the LinkTank survey are now available.
<i>SPECIAL TOPICS & PLANNING</i>	
<i>Long-Term Rental</i>	We agreed to a long-term commitment with the Muslim group who have begun worshipping in our building. We will charge them \$400 per month. Brian will draft a formal lease agreement. Eric will make announcements to the congregation at this Sunday service, and put information in the monthly newsletter. We will also provide a "Service in Progress" sign for them to put up when they're here.
<i>Behavior Covenant Update</i>	Now that the Behavioral Covenant has been finalized and approved by the congregation, the next steps are to follow. The Member Reinstatement policy is ready for approval. Recommendations have been made that we should completely re-write the Behavioral Policy that we have in place. Barbara and Rev. Terre will work on the Policy, and will report back next month.
<i>Review Pending List & Discuss Next Meeting</i>	We reviewed the Pending list, and made notes of what needs to be on next month's agenda.
<i>Process Observer Report & Closing</i>	Bob reported back on our process. Eric gave a reading to close.
<i>Next Meeting</i>	The next meeting is October 20, from 6:30 to 9 pm.
<i>Adjourn</i>	The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.