

First Jefferson Unitarian Universalist Church
1959 Sandy Lane
Fort Worth, TX 76112

Board of Trustees - Regular meeting
April 8, 2017

Minutes

Board members present: Michael Zepeda, Irene Forrester, Mary West, Charlotte Bailey, Bill Maginnis, as well as Reverend Jennifer Innis, ex-officio member. Invited guest, Cammie Justus, and visitor, Mathieu Thiem, were also in attendance.

The meeting was held at First Jefferson, in Jagers Parlor.

Meeting called to order at 10:20 am. by Michael Zepeda.

Mary West stated that a quorum was present.

Michael read the covenant aloud.

Irene Forrester was appointed Process Observer and Bill Maginnis appointed timekeeper.

A brief check-in occurred.

Invited guest, Cammie Justus, discussed with the Board of her plans for a democratic school. She would like to rent space from FJ for the school.

Mathieu Thiem informed the Board he'd like to build a henge on the grounds of the church.

The Board reviewed and accepted the March minutes.

No Finance Report was submitted as their meeting occurs later in the month.

The action items from last month – Irene stated we do not need to have a professional replace the valve on the oven as previously stated. This should reduce costs of repairs.

The Board performed their Spiritual Practice of gratitude.

Executive Session begins 11:56 am.

Executive Session ends 12:04.

Reverend Innis lead a discussion on the building renovations. We need a task force for it. Jean Bruttel and Mathieu are already on it. Irene wants to be on it, as well. This task force will inform the Board in a brief meeting on April 30 what items they have on their list. It will begin at 12:30 and last no longer than an hour.

Reverend Innis requests all Board members complete their pledge forms. All are asked to speak to at least four members about the drive.

Mary informed the Board on the decision the RE Council made concerning the paid education staff. Michael stated he'd like to see the new process in place prior to teacher training this summer.

Reverend Innis gave an update on Sanctuary. Jean Bruttell is continuing to do the homework on this. The discussion will be continued via email.

Karl Thibedeaux prepared an updated chart on Sunday morning attendance.

A Buddhist group from Dallas is interested in renting the sanctuary on Sunday afternoons. A discussion was made with them that FJ would have control of the sanctuary for one Sunday a quarter during the time when the group would normally have it reserved.

The meeting ended at 2:20 pm.

Action items from March meeting :

Topic	Who	What	Due Date
Kitchen Committee	Michael	Meet with Mathieu for update on Kitchen Committee	May meeting
Building update	Building Renovation Taskforce	List of building items needed attention	April 30, 2017
Budget Drive	Board	Talk to at least four church members regarding pledge drive	May meeting
Coleman carpet	Jean Bruttell	Talk to Mathieu for ideas on flooring in Coleman	April meeting
Sanctuary	Michael	Talk to Mark Anderson at First UU Austin	May Meeting
Sanctuary	Charlotte	Check on zoning issue for someone to stay at the church long term	May meeting
Sanctuary	Michael	Talk to Emily Wood (NTUUC) for assistance	May meeting