Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
September 11, 2019
Springfield, Illinois

APPROVED Minutes

ATTENDANCE
Board Members: Deb Hagan, President; Gwen Childs, Vice President; Tina Bennett, Treasurer; Elaine Gambiani, Secretary; Alison Stachera, Bob Croteau, Bonnie Ettinger, Dennis Rumme, Michelle Green, Pat Woods, Martin Woulfe, ex officio

Guests: Kim Villanueva

UPCOMING DATES

Sept. 15  Making Deeper Connections Covenant Group Service and Open House
Program Committee Meeting/Social Justice Committee Meeting/RE Committee Meeting
Sept. 16  Drum Circle
Sept. 18  Adult RE, “Power of Myth” Class
Sept. 19  Membership Committee Meeting
Sept. 20  Movie Outing for Downton Abbey/Newsletter Submission Deadline
Sept. 22  Potluck Sunday/Involvement Expo/Social Justice Committee Retreat
Sept. 24  Book Club
Sept. 25  Adult RE “Power of Myth” Class
Sept. 26  Racial Justice Project Meeting
Sept. 28  Faith Coalition Annual Banquet
Sept. 29  Congregational Vote on Expansion
Oct.  5  Outside Flea Market

CALL TO ORDER
Board President Deb Hagan called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS
1. Minutes of August Board Meeting
   Remove July Dates for approved minutes to Cheryl.
2. Minister’s Report, Martin Woulfe
3. Ministerial Intern Report
4. Membership Coordinator’s Report
5. DRE Report
   Sabrina Vining was hired in the Nursery. Angela Solon will substitute. Update on new playground equipment.

Motion to approve the consent agenda was moved by Michelle Green and Dennis Rumme seconded. The consent agenda passed.
**ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Approval of July Financials**
   Long Range Planning Fund and expansion funds were discussed. Intern Minister funding was discussed. Intern will be paid $1,650 per semester. $3,300 was promised to Eden Seminary for the Intern Minister.

   Tina motioned and Dennis seconded to vote to move $2,700 out of unrestricted assets to pay the remaining intern ministers’ salary. The board voted and the motion passed.

2. **Officiant Authorization for Intern during her term**
   Gwen moved to vote to approve Dee Evans officiant authorization after she has completed her training and Alison seconded. Board voted and approved.

   Martin will hold Training for Weddings and Funerals officiants.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. **Congregation meeting and vote on the expansion will be on September 29**
   Board members are to attend the meeting. Quorum is 20% of the congregation, which is approximately 65 people.

2. **Part-Time Minister Search Update**
   Kim Villanueva updated the board on the Minister Search. The position was posted in June and there were 3 candidates. The search team consists of, Lisa Udel, Frank Kopecky, Marsh Wijetunge, Kitty Wrigley, and Rev. Martin Woulfe. The candidate being considered for the part time position is from St. Louis, MO and has worked in Quincy, IL and Lacrosse WI. The Candidate being considered will not be available until July.

   Salary $40,000 in budget but candidate wants $46,000. Candidate submitted an expense overview that included accommodations.

   The congregation would pick up $10,000 the first year and $10,000 the second year. Martin’s sabbatical starts January 2021. The candidate would need to start July 2020 and needs to be notified by January 2020.

   Further discussion will continue at the October Board Meeting.

3. **Building Rental Rates**
   Will address in October Board Meeting

4. **Mexican Consulate Event: October 16 – 19**
   They will be charged the same rates as last year, which was approximately $1,000.

5. **Security Update**
   Recommended safety tips and guidelines were discussed. Evening meeting groups should lock doors in the evening once their meeting starts. ALUUC needs a congregational safety plan for fire, weather and intruder. Maps will be posted in the building.
6. Flea Market Update
   3 people have signed up. Need more participants.

7. Building Committee Update
   The Building Committee met with the architect to find ways to reduce the cost. The building capacity is estimated to be around 250 occupants.

8. Fellowship Events Update
   Fridays are open to add events. Chili cookoff schedule for October 19th.

9. Covenant Groups Update
   Sunday Service and Covenant Group Luncheon is September 15th.

10. Intern Minister Compensation
    This discussion will continue in October.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORTS FROM BOARD COMMITTEE LIAISONS
   Reports were given from Board liaisons present.

   Committee on Ministry - Martin Woulfe
   RE Committee – Pat Woods
   Racial Justice Project - Deb Hagan
   Covenant Groups – Martin Woulfe
   Green Sanctuary – Bob Croteau
   Program - Martin Woulfe
   Social Justice – Michelle Green

IMPORTANT DATES
   Next Board Meeting: 6 pm, Wednesday, October 9th

ADJOURNMENT
   Tina moved to adjourn; Bonnie seconded.
   Deb Hagan adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm until 6 pm, October 9, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Gambiani
Board secretary