BOARD MISSION

To provide leadership that supports the church's mission through effective policies and responsible stewardship.

BOARD COVENANT

We covenant to: Respect time by following a timed agenda and reviewing meeting materials prior to arrival, respect differing opinions, listen without interrupting, make space for all, remember the big picture, meet no longer than one hour unless there is a vote to extend the meeting for up to 30 minutes, speak with one voice once a decision has been made, focus on church business, refrain from micromanagement, work within the context of the UUA.

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF HINSDALE – BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES
Wednesday, June 12, 2024 - Time: 07:00 PM Central Time

APPROVED AT 7/27/2024 MEETING

Meeting At: Alice Warren Room, UCH, 17 W. Maple, Hinsdale, IL 60521

In attendance: Bob Daniel-Wayman (President), Karen McDowell (Vice President), Dave May (Treasurer), Dave Mrazek (Secretary), Susan Stephens (Trustee-at-Large)
Absent: Mike Pabian (moving out of state), Karin Janowski (traveling)
Visitors: Eric Haas and Marian Honel-Wilson (incoming trustees for 2024-2025 church year)

A. Call to Order/Welcome Visitors
Meeting called to order at 7:26 p.m. (after a potluck dinner was shared)

B. Check-in and feathers

C. Approval of May Board Minutes
It was noted that corrections had been made as per Dave May's request.
Dave May moved to approve. Karen seconded.

D. Finance Discussion

a. 23-24 Spending Updates – Dave May distributed handouts of 6/11/24 Treasurer Report and UCH Funds Report. Dave noted that he deposited 10K yesterday that is not reflected on the reports. As of 6/12/24, the amount of funds available for operations is $71,031 plus the 10K he just deposited. An income statement is not available until Saenvih returns from leave. The new/approved budget needs to be put into PowerChurch and a PowerChurch report needs to be generated on pledges due (for the church year ending June 30, 2024). New pledges need to be entered if not already done. Dave expressed gratitude for Steve Trout's help recently in paying bills and organizing bank deposits.
b. Pam noted that she put a reminder in this week's News and Notes for folks to complete their pledge obligations.
c. Rev. Beth noted she has been researching church management software to replace PowerChurch. As part of the process, she will find out what everyone needs from the system.
d. Based on the Endowment Committee's response to the inquiry concerning using endowment funds to fill a budget gap, no monies were requested from the Endowment Fund.

E. Staff Check In

a. Rev. Beth indicated that her written report for the end of the year contained the highlights. There are a few additional items to mention:
    i. Gail, UCH's administrator, resigned to seek a full-time job.
    ii. Rev. Beth discussed the upcoming UUA General Assembly and indicated she will be attending. So far one person has volunteered to be a delegate, Julia Beckman. After this announcement, Bob and Marian both volunteered to be additional delegates. Dave May motioned to approve the three volunteers as UCH delegates. Dave Mrazek seconded. All approved.

iii. Rev. Beth mentioned that one of the highlights of the year was creating a communications team.

b. Pam indicated she had nothing to highlight at this time. She will be around in the summer. There will be no childcare during the services but there will be a new child "play space" set up with activities for all ages with Pam or someone else as a volunteer either inside or outside, wherever the service is being held. Rev. Beth indicated she was very excited about the new play space.

F. Other Business

a. We reviewed that the purpose of the board retreat was to set ends and goals. Discussion ensued as to whether to have the minister facilitate or ask our new regional person from the UUA to facilitate. The consensus was that it would be a good idea to have an outside facilitator given the church's challenges in the coming year.

b. The consensus was to keep meeting on second Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. We will keep meeting on Zoom through the summer, and as per the current practice, meet in person sometimes, perhaps once per quarter.

G. Write-Ins (none)

H. Executive Session

I. Adjourn

Dave May motioned to adjourn and Karen seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:43.