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, speak with one voice once a decision has been made, focus on church business, refrain from micromanagement, and work within the context of the UUA.

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF HINSDALE – BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES
Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - Time: 7:00 PM Central Time

****** APPROVED AT JUNE 24, 2025 MEETING ******

Zoom Link for Virtual Meetings:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82524658740?pwd=bVNxNVJNcU9ReTFpb1M1TUdOb2xKdz09#success

Google Drive Link for minutes and church documents:
https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1LipJaBz-h4zfE_H5tAeZBD7LNGO76RORs

In attendance: David Mrazek (President), Karen McDowell (Vice President), Dave May (Treasurer), Marian Honel-Wilson (Secretary), and Trustees-at-Large Susan Stephens, Karin Janowski and Eric Haas; and Rev. Dr. Beth Johnson (Minister)
Absent: Pam Fodor (Director of Programs)
Visitors: N/A

Per our bylaws: ARTICLE XIV PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE
Meetings of the Members and meetings of the Board shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order. Prior to the start of any meeting, the President shall announce which edition of Robert's Rules is to be used.

A. Call to Order/Welcome Visitors
The meeting was called to order at 7:00.

B. Check In and Feathers
Check-in conducted.

C. Approval of Minutes
Karen moved to approve the April minutes and Karin seconded. Motion passed.

D. Finance Discussion

a. The Treasurer's report was submitted to the Board, along with the May 13, 2025 Income and Expense Statement. Dave indicated that available funds remain ample. The latest Income and Expense Statement shows that we are nearly $11,000 in the black in the 10th month of the church year.
b. Rev. Beth has been working with Deb, the accountant, on selecting new church management software. Deb is hoping to run the old and new systems in parallel for a

couple of months.

c. The Budget needs to be reviewed, possibly amended, and approved by the Board so that it can be presented to the congregation soon and voted on at the Annual Meeting on June 1st. The Board discussed options for updating the budget to account for a surplus in the draft budget. Dave moved and Eric seconded to adopt the proposed changes. Motion passed.
d. Dave talked to ComEd again in another attempt to resolve an apparent billing error from November 2023.

E. Staff Check In

a. The Minister's Report was submitted. Rev. Beth gave a few highlights: She is looking for delegates for the upcoming General Assembly, and she gave a progress report on the search for new church management software. Deb has made her assessment, and Rev. Beth is meeting with Gene Shaffer tomorrow. Once a decision is made, our former bookkeeper will be assisting in the conversion on a consultant basis. A budget meeting has been scheduled with the congregation on Sunday morning before the service.
b. Director of Programs Pam Fodor submitted her report. She's on vacation this week.

F. Other Business

a. General Assembly Delegates: The 64th UUA General Assembly is happening in Baltimore June 18-22. The process of selecting delegates was discussed. Anyone interested in being a delegate should let Rev. Beth know as soon as possible.

G. Ongoing Business

a. Second Unitarian Church Migrant Family Support: Further discussion was held regarding the need for monetary assistance for a migrant family supported by Second Unitarian Church in Chicago. It was agreed that Marian and Rev. Beth will meet to discuss a plan.
b. Strategic Planning: A call-to-action document briefly describing the proposed Strategic Discussions Group has been posted to News and Notes. David will be contacting four people in the next month to add to the group. In addition to these four, Eric Haas, Rev Beth and David Mrazek will work with the group.

H. Write-Ins – none

I. Adjournment

The board adjourned at 8:58 p.m.