

Shawnee Mission Unitarian Universalist Church

Board of Trustees Meeting

July 11, 2016 6:00 p.m.

Board Room

INVITE everyone in a caring community

INSPIRE the search for spiritual growth

INVOLVE all in working for a peaceful, fair and free world.

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| Voting members | |
| Marjorie Rice, President | X |
| Don Skinner, President-Elect | X |
| Adam Koehler | X |
| Tiffany Johnson | X |
| Brian Nelson | X |
| Gaby Kusko | X |
| Penny Burdge | |
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| Non-voting members | |
| Randy Burdge, Treasurer | |
| Zach Irwin, Past President | X |
| Kris Koehler, Secretary | X |
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| Others | |
| Rachel Wathen | X |
| Adam Wathen | X |
| Connie Strand | X |
| Jay Hetz | X |

Call to Order (Marjorie) 6:00

Chalice Lighting and Moment of Reflection

Check-In

Consent Agenda

Approve Jake Winship as new member for Endowment Committee, as per request from Chair, Vickie Trott -

Create pass-through budget line for labyrinth monies

Treasurer's Report, May & June 2016

Staff Reports, May & June 2016

Adam Koehler motions, Tiffany Johnson seconds, consent agenda approved.

Executive Committee Report (Zach)

Conferred by email to create the agenda for the Board meeting

Board Business

1. New member – Jo Ella Hoye to replace Penny Burdge as a Board Member

Tiffany Johnson motions, Adam Koehler seconds, approved.

2. Keeping our Board meeting at 6 or move to 7?

Tabled until next month. Will meet at 6 and discuss whether to change time for future Board meetings.

3. Social Justice Council presentation (Adam Wathen and Connie Strand presenting)

This will help to create structure for Reverend Rose to give her forward momentum. Gives faces for new members or visitors to initiate contact and connect to get in touch with the correct people. Members with energy, passion, and resources to share with regards to the different social justice areas. Helps to focus energies – in an attempt to simplify.

Gaby Kusko will act as a liaison between the Board and the Social Justice Committee.

Approval to update Church Life Team Charter – Adam Koehler motions, Brian Nelson seconds. Motion carries.

Adam Wathen appointed as Chair for the Social Justice Council. Marjorie Rice Motions, Gaby Kusko seconds, motion carries.

*Suggested Teams and their heads: Anti-Oppression - Nancy Mayes, Caring for our Neighbors - Yvonne Gibbons, Caring for our World - Joan Langmack, and Advocacy and Witness - Marcia Reinhardt.

Formation of the Charter to outline a structure to coordinate social justice action groups and activities at SMUUCH – Marjorie Rice approves, Tiffany Johnson seconds. Charter approved.

4. August Special Events – August 7th, Leadership Social for Reverend Rose – 5PM at Marjorie’s house. All church leaders will be invited to this event.

5. Mail Solicitations to church members – is this appropriate? Members can place their information on the community bulletin boards. President’s message could be a time to remind people not to use the directory as a way to solicit business from church members.

6. Black Lives Matter banner – (Jay Hetz) Banner is currently up and displayed. Adam Koehler motions to keep sign up until Lenexa says we need to take it down. A vote was taken on this issue.

4 vote to keep the Black Lives Matter banner up at this time. 2 vote to remove it.

7:40 adjourned –

Addendum: The Board conferred via email (7/11) to discuss placement of the Black Lives Matter banner further. A secondary vote ruled in favor of removing the banner until Reverend Rose’s arrival to allow her to facilitate the conversation about the Black Lives Matter movement.

Action Check Out

Next Scheduled Meetings

Executive Committee: 5:30 Monday, August 1, 2016.

Board of Trustees Meeting: 6:00 PM, Monday, August 8, 2016, Board Room

