

Shawnee Mission Unitarian Universalist Church
 Board of Trustees Meeting
 May 8th, 2017 6:30pm
 Board Room

INVITE everyone into a caring community
 INSPIRE the search for spiritual growth
 INVOLVE all in working for a peaceful, fair, and free world

Voting members	
Marjorie Rice, President	X
Don Skinner, President-Elect	X
Adam Koehler	X
Tiffany Johnson	X
Brian Nelson	X
Gaby Kusko	X
Jo Ella Hoyer	
Non-voting members	
Rose Schwab, Minister	X
Randy Burdge, Treasurer	X
Zach Irwin, Past President	X
Gail Robertson, Secretary	X
Others:	
Rachel Wathen	X

Call to Order (Don) 6:37pm
 Chalice Lighting and Reflection (Reverend Rose)
 Check-in (All)

Consent Agenda:

- I. Monthly reports available to board
- II. Rev. Rose's evaluations: Thank you Zach for all the work on Rev. Rose's evaluations
 - a. Zach has written a final report that is posted on Realm and will be sent to UUA
- III. Share the plate for May 28th – same organization as last year

Motion made to approve consent agenda: Tiffany Johnson motions, Adam Koehler seconds
 Unanimous vote, motion carries

New Business:

- I. NAACP Rental Possibility

- a. From Agenda: *The Johnson County NAACP would like to rent one room for an office and a second room for storage. The office would be staffed by volunteers who would not be in the building all the time. In addition, the organization would use our building to host several relatively large events. Rev. Rose is working out details as to whether we can actually rent space under our zoning, and what price to charge. This would be a paying rental.*
- b. Rev. Rose met with realtor to discuss
- c. Jo Ella has spoken with city of Lenexa on zoning – “If renting, become business” (concern and not intention)
- d. NAACP to be invited on May 25th
 - i. Rev. Rose proposes “rental” done on a charity basis as part of social justice mission
 - ii. Discussion of concept of “accessory of the church” being “within our mission”
- e. Continue to look at rezoning for other rental possibilities
- f. “Commercial” activity cannot be done as a non-profit (raised by Randy)
 - i. Could have a donation rather than renting
 - ii. Discussed language, intention, and mission
 - iii. Discussed property tax – federal versus property tax
- g. Revisited idea of pulling NAACP in under our mission and values
 - i. Discussed importance and priority of assuring language in contract reflects this
 - ii. “sharing space and expenses” proposed as appropriate language
 - iii. Will discuss and draft language – with advice and review by lawyer familiar with this area

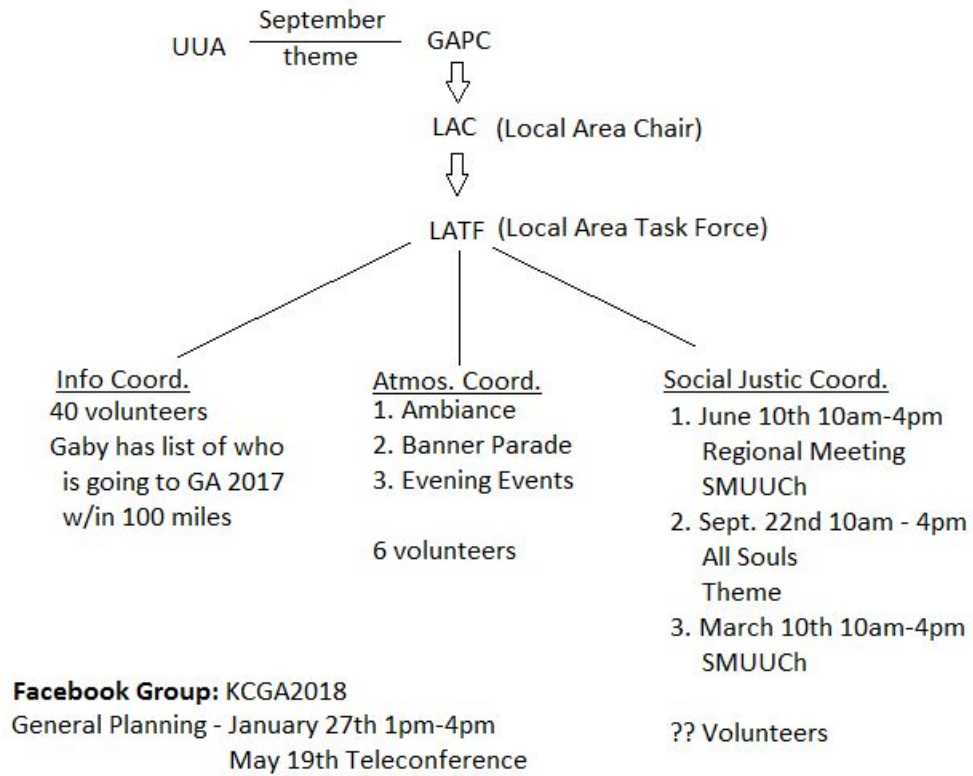
Motion made to “authorize use of building, office, and storage for NAACP during interim (i.e., while NAACP is looking for a permanent home) under umbrella of Shawnee Mission Unitarian Universalist Church’s mission and values”: Brian Nelson motions, Adam Koehler seconds
 Unanimous vote, motion carries

Motion made to “explore a long-term agreement with NAACP”: Adam Koehler motions, Marjorie Rice seconds
 Unanimous vote, motion carries

- h. Need follow-up: Property lawyer needed, contract
- i. Question raised: Why does church need money at all during interim with NAACP
 - i. Due to heating and cooling – shared space and expense
- j. Alternatives discussed
- k. Discussed balancing cost and need
 - i. Cost of heating and cooling
 - ii. Assuring we are not making a profit
 - iii. Space availability

- l. Discussion and assertion that we are “communicating limitations” or church property to NAACP (particularly grounds and signage)
- m. NAACP would like Ms. Avery’s room – discussion of bathrooms
- n. Rev. Rose in contact with Mr. Jones from NAACP
- o. Briefly discussed appropriate education to congregation and board on appropriate designations and respect/cultural sensitivity toward elders
- p. Rev. Rose needs help:
 - i. Documents used by other churches and schools– Tiffany will call Rosehill Elementary
 - ii. Property Lawyer – Gaby will reach out
 - iii. Committee to design and draft agreement

II. Update on General Assembly “GA” 2018 (Gaby)



GA 2018 Dates: June 20th - 24th, 2018

- a. GA 2017: 7-8 delegates from SMUUCH
- b. Chalice will travel to other churches in region
- c. Housing:
 - i. Have a template for online coordination
 - ii. Funding goes to church hosting (fundraising)

III. Report on Pastoral Care Training (Rev. Rose)

- a. Successful, 50+ individuals attended
 - b. Rev. Rose will be making teams
 - c. Identified as a “universal need”
- IV. Budget/Stewardship Campaign
- a. RTU One Construction Services
 - i. Finalized design stage
 - ii. Checking with manufacturer then will go out for bids
 - iii. Question raised: Conflict with Hogwarts?
 - 1. Not believed to, but will coordinate at the time
 - iv. Gaby raised question of whether all items must occur at the same time (e.g., islands, lights, etc.)
 - 1. Scheduling component involved
 - b. Budget vs. actual
 - i. Completed 83.3% of the year
 - 1. Comment raised on infrequent charges that may skew line items – best to evaluate overall
 - 2. Aiming for surplus – if occurs, policy is that surplus goes into Capital Improvement fund
 - 3. Randy suggested NAACP go out of capital improvement fund
 - ii. Church has made operational, but not aspirational budget
 - 1. 6 outstanding family units
 - 2. No problems currently
 - 3. Not enough in pledges to justify membership coordinator or office position at this time
 - 4. Meeting May 22nd to reconcile budget for 2017/2018
- V. Reschedule June 17th Board Orientation
- a. August meeting/orientation will stand
 - b. If needed, Tiffany will facilitate a doodle poll for scheduling
- VI. Child Care Policy (Rachel)
- a. Available and read by board
 - b. Question raised: “can groups bring in their own childcare?”
 - i. Language needs to reflect this with a waiver if group or individual chooses to use own childcare
 - Motion made to approve child care policy with waiver option: Don Skinner motions, Marjorie Rice seconds
 - Unanimous vote, motion carries

Motion made to adjourn May 2017 board meeting: Tiffany Johnson motions, Don Skinner seconds
 Unanimous vote, motion carries
 Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm

Attachments available to board and others during meeting:

May Board Agenda

Balance Sheet

Budget vs. Actuals

Child Care Policy

Rev. Rose Evaluations and Report

Next Meeting and Other Events:

Congregational Meeting May 21st, Sanctuary after church

Budget Meeting, May 22nd, Board Room 6:30pm

Board Meeting, June 12th, Board Room 5:30pm – first board meeting with new members, dinner