

## Unity of Greater Hartford Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes February 17<sup>th</sup> 2018

In attendance: Lee Dittman, Susan Wright, Agnes Rose, RitaFaith MacRae, Scott Harrison, Rev Christine Boylan

Call to order: 9am

Pray in: Rev. Christine

Affirmation of mission, vision, and statement of faith.

Mastermind Prayer Circle

### Old Business:

1. Acceptance of January minutes
2. **Kid's Church Update:** We are still needing a commitment from Brittney. Kid's Church teachers are asked to attend the new membership class. Toni is putting together the Sunday lessons which focus on the Five Principles, while Louise Cox will be asked to work with Trish to recruit and sign up people. Lee suggested we do a kid's skit in church. Rev C will send the Board the list of teachers already signed up. Susan suggested that Rev. C do a Sunday talk on this.
3. **New Member Class:** Sundays March 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> between 12:15 and 2:15. Board members who wish to teach this class must attend. The book "The Five Principles" by Ellen Debenport should be read prior to class. Rev C will send a list of what we will talk about and board members could think about what sections each person is comfortable to teach.
4. **Finalize annual meeting agenda:** agenda was finalized and ready.
5. **Monthly Ministry appreciation:** starts second Sunday on March 8<sup>th</sup> and second Sunday every month
6. **Goals:** Retain 85% of membership. Presently 92 members in church, so far 52 members renewed.

### Reports:

#### Minister's Report- Rev Christine Boylan

Rev Christine would like to see at least one family service a quarter. Lori Myrick will hold a yoga workshop on Feb.23 thereafter she will hold regular Tuesday night classes. Rev C would like to have a policy or understanding that we do not pay a congregant for speaking at a Sunday Celebration Service. We will invite the person who is willing to apply a sun screen on our platform window for free to one of our Board Meetings.

#### Finance- Susan Wright

The Board reviewed the year-end for 2017 Finances and the 2018 Budget for discussion at our annual meeting.

### New Business

- a. **Good Friday:** This year we will focus on grief and loss, we are encouraged to make an altar.
- b. **Easter:** White stone ceremony – ask people to give themselves a new name and use the stone as a naming ceremony.
- c. **Fun night at Unity:** lots of suggestions.

11:00am Pray out - Lee

Next Board Meeting is **Saturday March 17th 9-11**

Minutes recorded by and respectfully submitted by Agnes Rose Secretary, Board of Trustees, Unity of Greater Hartford.