

**Unity of Greater Hartford
Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes Thursday October 18th**

In attendance: RitaFaith MacRae, Lee Dlttman, Agnes Rose, Scott Harrison, Rev Christine, and Terry Guzackaus. Not in attendance: Susan Wright

Call to order: 6:30 pm

Pray in: Rev Christine

Affirm our Vision, Mission and Board Statement of faith

Mastermind Prayer Circle

Old Business:

1. Approval of September minutes via email.
2. Congregational meeting went great.
3. The discussion with Carol went great, no concerns that Reiki was not being announced from the platform. Members know it is always 3rd Sunday.
4. Catherine Ewing is replacing Deborah Giddings as Nominating Committee member and Scott Harrison will serve as the Board Member.
5. 1st New Member class went well. Scott spent a lot of time on the first principle. Terry said she had a different expectation-felt like the topics in the book were not covered. Rev C talked about getting people to explore their own beliefs. Lee shared about the different styles and ways of presenting. Also said she loved the meditations after each chapter.
6. Healing Event presented by Tara Leary was discussed and the board felt that we were not prepared to handle this event at this time.

Reports:

Minister's Report - Rev Christine Boylan

1. Sunday November 14th will be Ushers Appreciation Sunday.
2. Christmas Blessings-We will continue to be a blessing to the children of Connecticut Children's Hospital. Discussion about ways to reach out to others in need, some great suggestions made.
3. November Radical Gratitude Action-the board will donate snack food and savory to the members of the men's AA group for their help in breaking down furniture in the community room.
4. Election Day Prayer Service-4 prayer service on election day Nov6th, 30 minutes each 8:00 am, 12:30, 5:30,8:00pm

Finance Report - Scott Harrison

Tony and Rev Christine has done a great job controlling expenses. Rec C suggest there be a tithing report every month-one of money as well as time and talent.

Scott gave the Treasurer's report stating that the Finance Committee would be projecting a 4-5% increase in giving for 2019. Our Tithes are slightly higher than budget.

Susan Wright resigned as chair of Finance Committee, as well as a Member of the Board of Trustee, she will be missed.

Marketing Committee; Hush was a great success.

New Business

1. Holiday Service- ideas sent via email. Christmas Eve Candle Light Service, we need to look at time of service because people's schedules are changing.
2. Church decorating-Susan Wright will be doing Sanctuary decorating.
3. Rita will be leading a church decorating team on Sunday December 1st

Pray Out- Agnes prayed us out. The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Next Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday November 15th 6:30-8:30

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