

# Unity of Greater Hartford

## Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2018

**In Attendance:** Scott Harrison, Lee Dittman, Rev. Christine Boylan, Agnes Rose, RitaFaith MacRae Susan Wright, and Terry Guzauckas,

**Call to Order:** 6:27 pm

**Opening Prayer:** Rev. Christine Boylan

**Affirmations of Vision, Mission and Board Statement of Faith**

**Master Mind Prayer:** 6:40 pm

### Old Business:

- **August 2018 minutes** unanimously approved and accepted via email.
- **Bookstore discussion update:**
  1. Rev. Christine will be meeting with Bookstore team on Sunday, 9/23 to discuss their ideas for the bookstore and how it will move forward.
  2. Those attending the meeting will be Leah Bell, Bonnie Rowe, Kerri Harrison and Krista Assid. Susan Luiz has declined to attend.
- **Shari Shea/ Reiki discussion:**
  1. Vote taken on including Shari Shea's events in Sunday announcements – 1 Yes, 5 No  
Vote taken on including Reiki events in Sunday announcements – 2 Yes, 4 No
  2. Rita and Rev. Christine will meet with Shari Shea and Carol Tracy to discuss Board's decision about these events.
  3. A suggestion was made to include a slide in Sunday's PowerPoint projection that events and happenings are posted on the Community bulletin board for further information.
  4. Policy of August 16, 2003 (refer to Board of Trustees Book, Section 11, Policies) will be reviewed at October 18<sup>th</sup> meeting for possible revision. Until then, each event will be reviewed by Board on an individual basis to determine alignment with Unity.
- **Nominating committee team names:**

Agnes Rose will review her notes and send the names of committee alternates to Board within the next day or two.
- **Update on Pledge cards:**
  1. Susan will send statistics on QGiv users to Board as a separate document.
  2. The 6 month (January to July) projection of 2018 Commitment cards is \$44,047.20; as of August 28, 2018 (7 months) the amount received is \$53,852.06. This is an increase of \$9,804.86.
  3. With reminder letters sent out the first of September, this trend **appears** to show that goal of \$88,094.20 will be met by years end.
- **Thank you to Prayer Chaplains:**
- **Prosperity Class – Metaphysics:**
  1. Absolute Abundance 10 week class postponed until February 2019
  2. Bible Metaphysics Class: by Rev. Christine on Saturday, Dec. 1st and 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Reports:**

- **Minister's Report provided by Rev. Christine Boylan:** Report reviewed
  1. Princeton Review will rent an additional time slots – dates will be sent to Board for opening and closing
  2. Ushers will be recognized and thanked – date to be determined
  3. Unity Children's Committee meeting on September 30<sup>th</sup>
  
- **Finance Report provided by Scott Harrison:** Report reviewed
  1. Fidelity Brokerage account paperwork signed, new check issued; Rev. Christine will call to make sure all pertinent paperwork is in order before sending
  2. Finance Committee will begin work on 2019 budget; percentage of increase anticipated for review by Board at October meeting; anticipate budget outline will be completed for Board approval by December 2018 meeting; Finance Committee will begin 5 year financial plan in January 2019.
  
- **Marketing Committee Update:**

H.U.S.H fundraising event has been included in weekly enews; Stand-alone e-blast of this event was sent Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> and will be sent again as a single item on Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup> as well as included in weekly enews.

**New Business:**

- **Congregation meeting – October 7<sup>th</sup>**
  1. Financial Update - Scott
  2. AudioVisual and Website updates – Rev. Christine
  3. Testimonial - ??
  4. ?
  
- **Board Goals**-tabled
  
- **New Member Class:** Sundays, October 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:30 to 2:30 pm

**Closing Prayer:** RitaFaith MacRae

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:58 pm

**Next Board meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 18th at 6:30 pm.**

**Recorded and respectfully submitted**

Susan Wright

Secretary, Board of Trustees

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