January Board Meeting Jan 27, 2019 12:30 in the Chapel

The Board held the monthly meeting. Jim, LD, Dick and Kelly were in attendance.

Linn Cates was absent. Doug Strong joined the meeting.

Kelly presented the minutes from the previous meeting. Minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Dick presented the financial reports. Reports were approved by unanimous vote.

Jim reported from the NTUUC meeting for Presidents and Vice Presidents. He reports that all UU churches have the same struggles with public exposure. Daniel Polk recommends utilizing the work available from the UUA past endeavors at marketing.

At the NTUUC Appreciation luncheon, grants were awarded. RRUU received a grant of \$4320 to apply to the repair work being done to the chimney brick in the basement.

The annual Bruce Cameron awards dinner will be held on Feb 21. The Board will create an Order of Things aka program for that dinner. Perhaps the Ad Hoc Choir will perform a song. Past award honorees will vote by secret ballot with the winner chosen by the Cameron's.

The Stewardship Campaign will kick off in April with a goal of May 3rd to have pledges completed so the budget for 2019-2020 can be prepared. The Spring Congregational Meeting will be held on May 19. Dick and Doug will work with the pledging units to determine how the funds can best be allocated.

Jim reported on the work of the Long Range Planning Committee. That committee needs funding for advertising and P.R.

Doug reported on his work as the Communications Director. He needs help managing the database and creating an on-line presence. Social media is a powerful medium that requires extensive time. Facebook, Twitter and Instagram will get our name and mission out to the world but we need a willing, capable person to manage those tasks. Doug suggested funds appropriated in the budget to pay an assistant to the Communications Director.

LD Clark has a connection with Austin College.

ACTION: He will inquire costs to place an advertisement in the campus publication.

Kelly states Grayson College has several magazines published on campus.

ACTION: Kelly will research costs to advertise in 1 or more publications.

Jim had paperwork printed to devise an Evacuation Plan.

ACTION: LD Clark will fill out paperwork.

Marilyn Alexander would like an Aesthetics Committee to help her with decisions related to the Building and Grounds. Suggested members include Carolyn Cameron, Doug Strong, Tommi Homuth and Carol Powell. Marilyn would like the sign out front to be replaced. It is peeling and needs attention.

ACTION: Doug will contact Texoma Wraps and report cost to Marilyn.

There are elected positions that will come to term in July.

ACTION: Jim to invite Nominating Committee to speak at a future board meeting.

The Welcoming Congregation Committee has been meeting for several months.

ACTION: Jim to invite members of the Welcoming Congregation Committee to report their progress at a future board meeting.

The February meeting will be held on the 10th.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50.

Kelly Cofield-Dyer Secretary