

RED RIVER UU
BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 17, 2023
ALEXANDER ROOM AT 12:40 PM

Present: Marilyn, Amy, Carole, Jim, Don and David

1. Called to order at 12:45
2. Consideration of Minutes as distributed; Amy motioned to approve- Carole seconded
3. Finance Report- Carole

In the month of August, we had total receipts of \$1,654.00. Total expenses for the month were \$5,397.01, leaving us with a net loss for the month of (\$3,743.01). The net loss for the month was primarily due to the timing of pledge income, building repairs, and the timing of insurance payments. We had a net profit for the fiscal year-to-date of \$5,105.92. The year-to-date net profit was primarily due to the timing of pledge income. As of August 31, 2023, we had \$15,208.81 available in checking. There is a total of \$20,709.72 in all savings accounts, including \$4,317.08 restricted for the Minister Fund and \$5,951.89 held in trust for Kat Walston from the sale of her personal effects prior to moving into assisted living. There is a total of \$66,784.40 invested in the UUA Common Endowment Fund. The congregation voted to use up to \$51,000.00 of the Endowment Fund for minister compensation, if needed. A total of \$15,690 has currently been pledged for the minister compensation fund. Additional pledges can be made by contacting the minister search team.

Carole brought up several items concerning the budget. The following were approved

- a. Make annual payment of \$500. to Shelter
 - b. TXUUJM- Budgeted to pay \$120. If was determined to pay \$80. and give balance to Social Justice
 - c. BLUU- consensus was to continue to not to pay
 - d. Some organizations such as Grayson Pride want to be paid by debit card. It was determined to acquire a debit card. Jim will check to make sure that is in line with our by-laws
 - e. In the past there were always 2 people who counted the bowl. During Covid the Board determined to allow Dick to handle the money and make the deposit. The Board decided to continue this process with Carole
 - f. The Board decided to pay the cost of RRUU brochures for new members, as well as, handouts to the Denison and Sherman Chambers
4. Minister Search Team Report- Jim
The meeting on September 14 meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum
Currently waiting for decision from NTUUC grant request
 5. Board Retreat- September 28th, 10:00-4:00 at Two Bear's Ranch
Potential discussions to be led by Daniel Polk:
 - a. Strategic Plan
 - b. Mission Statement
 - c. Delegating responsibilities to get more involvement of less active members
 - d. Progression to having a contract minister

- e. Building membership
- f. Stewardship campaign
- 6. Fall Congregational Meeting October 22, 2023
 - a. Don will do opening reading and light chalice
 - b. Amy will do closing reading and extinguish the Chalice
- 7. Idea for other special events
 - a. Fan drive for next year
 - b. School supply drive for next year
 - c. June 19th picnic
 - d. Coat drive- discuss in October meeting
- 8. Community Outreach- Amy
 - a. Art Fest- we had 2 booths- Amy and Jim handed out brochures
 - b. Doug had made brochures detailing our other activities
 - c. Amy will provide Jan with brochures to be taken to Sherman and Denison Chambers
 - d. Amy advised there was interest from some parents regarding our LGBTQ group
- 9. Report on textiles recycling bin placement- Amy; work in progress
- 10. Chambers of Commerce Reports- Jan
 - From Amy; Marilyn suggested we mail a copy of our flyer to every new business
- 11. 3-day summer children's SumFun for summer of 2024
 - Marilyn, Megan and David; hopefully Jack and Mellieissa will want to help
- 12. Reports from other teams- none
- 13. Discussion of other items
 - Jim has talked to several security companies and explained options.
 - The best sounding was ADT who will provide alarms, motion and smoke detectors.
 - The cost will be \$460. for materials and \$27.07 monthly fee.
 - Also discussed was re-keying our doors. Amy moved and Don seconded that we go with ADT and re- key the doors. Motion carried.
- 14. Board Reps
 - Sept- Carole/ Oct- Jim/ Nov-Don/ Dec- Amy
- 15. Next Board meeting is October 15. One week prior to Fall meeting
- 16. Adjourned at 1:44

prepared by David Dyer