

RRUU Board
Minutes, 11-1-24

Present: President Jana Norris, Marilyn Alexander, David Dyer, Carole Harner, Amy Hoffman-Shehan, Jim Holmes, and Acting Secretary Marion Hill. Jana called the meeting to order.

Hill presented minutes from the last board meeting (10-6-24) and the fall congregational meeting (10-20-24). Amy Hoffman-Shehan said that Susie Norris and Paula have agreed to join the Caring committee and asked that this fact be added to the minutes. Marilyn Alexander said the NTUUC churches are giving classes in how to give an elevator speech, and Jana noted that RRUU will offer such a class also, information that was also added to the minutes. Amy moved acceptance of the board-meeting minutes as corrected. Carole seconded, and the motion carried. Amy then moved acceptance of the congregational-meeting minutes as corrected. Carole seconded, and the motion carried. Jim mentioned he needs corrected minutes to post on the church website, for August through October and for the fall congregational meeting.

Carole gave the Treasurer's Report. At the end of October, the church had almost \$6,500 in profit, but noted that this was mostly from people paying their pledges ahead in a lump sum. (The board should not assume that the church has this much to spend, she said.) She pointed out that with the recent death of Don Rogers, RRUU lost one of its main contributors. Going forward, she expects some savings from the fact that Mark Davies will be coming only once a month instead of twice. She noted that UUA has 12 months of sermons on video for \$300. Carole said RRUU has a total of \$41,000 in available cash distributed among checking, savings, and UUA savings accounts, but it would be best not to spend that. Jim mentioned that the church needs to get the Stewardship Committee going soon.

The board discussed using Google Drives. Amy said Carole should be filing financial reports on it. Amy doesn't have access to the drive but will get it from Marla, so the board members can all have access to the drive.

Billie Barber was mentioned as a potential secretary for the board. Carole moved that Billie be elected secretary, Amy seconded, and the motion carried.

The board discussed what to do about inactive members (those who neither come to church or give money). They are not counted toward a quorum for congregational meetings, however. Amy suggested that, when the roll is called to establish a quorum at congregation meetings, the names of inactive members should not be called. A list of inactive members will be sent out to all board members prior to congregational meetings. Jana suggested that members be polled about whether there's a way to check with inactive members about whether they wish to continue their membership, but also recognizing membership may be valuable to some who aren't coming. Amy moved that Maura Shehan

be removed from membership, since she doesn't seem interested in continuing it. Carole seconded, and the motion carried.

Marilyn said she has made a memorial donation for Jerry Harris and Don Rogers and asked that this money be transferred to Facilities Maintenance. There was informal agreement to this idea.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Acting Secretary Marion Hill