

July 18, 2006 MEETING MINUTES
For regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, 6400 W. Del Rio St. Chandler, AZ

Board members: Those attending indicated with asterisk

*	Joel S	President	*	Charlie T	Trustee
*	Chuck D	Secretary	*	Mary Jo B	Trustee
	Lone J	Ex-Officio	*	Barbara F	Trustee
*	Jim N	Trustee		Janet C	Trustee

Other Attendees/Guests:

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Note: Items are reported by topic and may not be in the order presented.

Opening Activities

Meeting Called to order, Centering, review roles.

June 11th & 20th meeting minutes accepted with corrections.

Agenda Items

1. Budget Year end financials reviewed
 - Small deficit at end of budget year
 - Unpaid pledges (3% of total pledged)
 - From June 30 Income & Expense statement
 - Goal for financial committee– encourage members to ‘front-load’ their donations by paying ahead

2. Congregational Survey
 - Data being analyzed – Mary Jo & Charlie

3. Board retreat – August 26th 2006 Agenda
 - Cover bylaws & policy governance
 - Develop new board mission statement
 - Review congregational survey

4. Small-group network plan discussed
 - How do we grow while still maintaining small church feel?
 - Use ‘small groups/networks’ to help maintain connections between the members of the congregation

5. Website ownership – Jim N
 - Possible need for policies relating to website and public relations discussed
 - Use of website
 - Marketing/Outreach
 - Press releases
 - Social Action activities list
 - Sermons on web
 - Meeting to solicit input on content of website desired (visioning meeting)
 - For next newsletter – Put number of hits website and subsections received in ‘Did you know’ section
 - Board e-mail address presented

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6. Name change proposal
 - Status & Planning
 - Add discussion sessions into calendar
 - Continuing agenda item – for next meeting

7. Statement of goals for the year. – Possible goals as stated by individual board members)
 - Develop process for continuing support of elderly/homebound members
 - Add youth member to board
 - Greater support for social action
 - Increase youth membership
 - Policy concerning how Charity of the Year is chosen is needed
 - Develop more comprehensive review of how board listens to the congregation
 - Create greater board presence
 - Hold dialogues on Race/class

Recognition

Scott B. for services rendered to the congregation.
To be presented in late September (tentative date)

Next Meeting – August 26, 2006 (Board retreat).

Concluding Activities

1. Process Review.
2. Meeting was adjourned around 9 pm.

Minutes were prepared by Chuck D and distributed to Board members via email on July 24, 2006. Please email with any comments or corrections you may have prior to the next meeting.