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Board Highlights

June 28, 2017

Dear friends of VUU,

We had an excellent turnout for our VUU Annual Meeting on June 4th thanks to all that attended. In that meeting the congregation approved the 2017-2018 budget, elected our new board members, and reviewed last year’s highlights. I would like to personally welcome Mary Erickson, Maria Dixon, Karl Hurst-Wicker, and DeeAnne McClenahan (incumbent) to the Board of Trustees. In our June Board Meeting, we elected the following officers for the new year’s board:

* President – Paul Schneider
* Vice President – DeeAnne McClenahan
* Treasurer/Financial Analyst – Karl Hurst-Wicker
* Secretary – Jess Nierad
* Board rep to Finance: DeeAnne McClenahan
* In addition, Maria Dixon, Musette Steger, and Mary Erickson took committee leadership roles

Another important item discussed in the Annual Meeting was the estimated revenue shortfall at the end of the year due to the unexpected impacts throughout the year. Because of the hard work by DeeAnne, our current Financial Analyst, Finance and Stewardship Committees, and Staff we made adjustments to reduce a projected deficit to only $4,800. As of our Board Meeting on Tuesday, I am happy to announce, it appears the deficit will be even lower and may even be eliminated as we continue to collect revenue the last few days of the month.

Other highlights of the year included a growing endowment fund, increased community outreach, continued new membership with increased diversity, and a large number of volunteers devoting their time to VUU. Although we had a few unexpected challenges, we ended the year in a very positive place thanks to the volunteers, staff, and ministers. I would like to especially thank the outgoing board members: Janice Miller, Barbara Face, and Cliff Allred. Your work this past year has been vital to get us to this stage. And to our outgoing President Janice Miller a final thanks for your past 3 years as president and for your leadership, role modeling, and mentorship.

Looking forward, this year’s Board will be focusing on getting the new members up to speed on our Board calendar and Board retreat this fall. We will also be spending time on long-range planning to help with our upcoming capital campaign effort. As the uncertainty in the wider community remain, I am looking forward to making a positive impact working with Dr. Rev. Andy and the board this year and excited for what it will bring.

Warm regards,

*Paul Schneider*

President

VUU Board of Trustees