

Board of Trustee Meeting  
Minutes  
April 23, 2020

Meeting was called to order 6:43 pm

- I. Present at the zoom online meeting.
  - I. AB—Andy Burnette
  - II. BF—Bob Fabre
  - III. DG—Debi Grande
  - IV. DM—DeeAnne McClenahan
  - V. LS—Linda Stenholm
  - VI. MW-F—Mary Wolf-Francis
  - VII. SK—Sue Keen
  - VIII. JF—Jodi Freeman (guest)
  
- II. AB – open the meeting.
  
- III. SK – Check in
  
- IV. SK – on Consent Agenda items: Prior Meeting Minutes February, Prior February Financial Reports, and Minister’s Report. Motions accepted by MW-F, seconded by BF, unanimously accepted by the board.
  
- V. DM – Budget Review
  - I. Discussion led to several questions:
    - I. Would you tell me more about Compassion in Action. Who are they and why has income stopped from them?

Compassion in Action is from AB. He along with a donor choose a Sunday morning to talk about one facet of VUU's mission work, and challenge the congregation to contribute. The money goes to the general operating funds. Right now this has stopped due to not meeting in person and handing out the plate for Compassion in Action.
    - II. What is the \$10k legacy cont.? Something new?

The legacy contribution we received was from a deceased member who specified the funds for operating (unspecified legacy funds generally go to Special Funds/endowment).
    - III. Does the deficit in Pledges Operating mean there have been -\$18,000+ reduction in actual pledges? Can you tell us how many that number represents?

No, I can not tell you how many numbers that represents. The Pledges Operating budget comes from confirmed, estimated, midyear, and new members estimates, discounted at various rates based on history. The Pledges Operating collection is at 94% year to date.
    - IV. How is it that rental income went up?

Rental is up because Sue Ringer has been working on getting us more and better renters.

V. What other fund-raising events did not take place?

We only budget for fUUnd now, rather than several fund raising events. FUUnd looks under budget for March because collections did not begin until April. Expect this to catch up, but not fully, based on fUUnd sales.

VI. Can you give us a general idea of what Miscellaneous was included in income and why it might have been short?

The miscellaneous income is a group of money from odd and end places, ie; altar flowers, coffee from hospitality, etc. It fell short due to not meeting in person and being virtual instead. However, expense for these items was lessened as well.

II. JF announced a future donation of \$30,000 to VUU.

III. Decided to send the budget to a special committee composed of a number of individuals (including Bob and DeeAnne), in order to balance it. The revised budget that the special committee came up with was in turn presented to the Board by email. After the Board's initial approval on May 11, the budget was revised again and approved by the Board (via email) on May 21.

IV. Motion to present budgets to the congregation in May 17 by BF, seconded by MW-F, SK abstained, accepted by the board.

VI. SK – Policy Addition: Board Young Adult Members

- I. Discussed the proposed addition to VUU's policy manual. This new policy will be placed in Section III.10 with the title 'Young Adult Board Members'.
- II. Members disagreed and discussed; "Young adult board members must have been a member of VUU at least thirty (30) days as of the time of their appointment". The thirty (30) days was the disagreement part.
- III. Motioned to move forward to add the new policy section by DM, seconded by MW-F, 5 members approved, 1 member disapproved. Motion has been passed.

VII. DG – Thank You

- I. AB requested a thank you to Katie Seiferth, Music coordinator
- II. AB requested a thank you to DeeAnne McClenahan for all the coordinating she has done to make VUU go virtual successfully.
- III. DM requested a thank to Jodi Freeman

VIII. SK – Recommendation to the Board

- I. Discussed drafting a letter to the UUA regarding recommendations from the board.

IX. SK – Congregational Conversation on 5/17

- I. Discussed the idea of having our Congregational Conversation going all virtual. On June 7 in our Annual Meeting we will include having voting done virtual. AB will be meeting with Ken to work out how we can do the voting virtual.

5 Candidates for the Board (Min 4; goal 6)

Libby Bean, New

Elizabeth Chain, New

Kevin Guhman, New

Susan Keen, Appointed Incumbent  
Mary Wolf-Francis, Appointed incumbent  
6 Candidates for LDC (Min 5; goal 7)  
Roberta Baker, New  
Joyce Donahue, New  
Roz Hawkins, New  
Lee Lashowski, New  
Beverly McCormick, Incumbent  
Rebecca Riggs, Appointed incumbent  
3 Candidates for Speical Funds (Min2; goal 4)  
Carl Anderson, New  
Joel Sannes, Incumbent  
David Sheh, New  
*\*The candidates list is subject to change.*

X. AB – Discussion

I. Discussed having everyone do a 20 mins of day dreaming regarding VUU. What do we want in the future virtual Sunday services? Also, What do we want or feel comfortable to give up in our future virtual Sunday services?

II. DG – Wrap-up

I. Thank you

I. Katie Seiferth

II. DeeAnn McClenahan

III. Jodi Freeman

II. SK on the Board Young Adult Members added to the VUU's policy manual.

XI. Adjourned 7:58 pm

XII. May 21, a revised budget was presented to the Board.

I. Susan Keen made a motion to present the revised budget to the congregation for approval on June 7. The motion was seconded by DeeAnne McClenahan. The vote was 5 Ayes and one abstention (from Robert Fabre).