

Decorah UU
Minutes
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Randd Properties Building
Tuesday, September 10, 2019

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Matthew Alexander.

Board Members Present – Matthew Alexander, Beth Wahlberg, Carolyn Corbin, Maggie Hayden.

Board Members Absent – Bill Pardee.

Others Present – Decorah UU Fellowship Coordinator Otter Dreaming.

Chalice Lighting and Reaffirmation of the Board Covenant

Additions to the Agenda – Carolyn asked that Board members discuss a short-term vision in light of information from Karen Esterl about Sunday Services Committee plans for the year.

Comments from Decorah UU Members and Friends – There were no comments.

Reports

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes – Beth moved and Maggie seconded that the August Board Meeting Minutes from Carolyn be approved as received via email. The motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Treasurer's August Report (Addendum A) – Matthew moved and Carolyn seconded that the Treasurer's August 2019 Financial Summary be acknowledged. The motion carried.

Old Business

- a. **Board Liaison to OWL** – Beth met with Lara Martinsen-Burrell. Two OWL classes are scheduled for this school year: one for grades K-2, probably this Fall, during which Becky Idstrom might shadow/teach with Lara; and another for grades 7-9, probably January through April, with Neil Martinsen-Burrell and Hannah Breckbill, twice a week to squeeze the full year into a shorter timeframe. Organizers/teachers might want to use the Decorah UU laser printer from time to time, to print OWL class materials.
- b. **Advertising** – Matthew talked with someone at KDEC about advertising, but his contact there has since left KDEC. Matthew may set up another meeting.
- c. **Logo Decal** – Matthew will be meeting soon with Erik Berg. Decorah UU's previous payment doesn't include Erik's remaining work on the logo, which is still to be added to the text in the Lingonberry window. Beth wondered if the logo might be included on items for the annual UU auction in December (t-shirts, bumper stickers, banners, etc.). The logo would need to be ready by early November in order to prepare items for the auction. Matthew will consider the auction possibilities.
- d. **Letter of Support for Pride Flags** – Beth talked with Amalia Vagts about a letter to the city council. Board members discussed the letter and agreed that it is important to write the letter in support, citing our first UU principle, despite knowing what the city will probably decide. Beth will get feedback from Amalia and Board members about a drafted letter.

New Business

- a. **Short-term Vision** – Board members briefly discussed the Sunday Services Committee's annual theme, The Power of We, noting that it is important to keep our community focused on issues of collective

liberty. Carolyn will ask Karen Esterl about being ready to write a Religion article on the topic for the newspaper.

Adjournment – Carolyn moved and Beth seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Extinguishing the Chalice

The Next Board Meeting – The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 p.m. at the Randd Properties building.

Respectfully submitted by
Otter Dreaming, Decorah UU Fellowship Coordinator

Addendum A

NEIUUF/Decorah UU Financial Summary for August 2019

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|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| NEIUUF/Decorah UU Assets as of: | August 31, 2019 |
| Certificates of Deposit | \$50,606.50 |
| General Fund | \$28,729.37 |
| Owl Account | \$1,100.21 |
| TOTAL EQUITY | \$80,436.08 |

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES

| | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 8/5/19 | Sunday Collection | \$60.00 |
| | Pledges | \$55.00 |
| | Non-Pledged Revenue | \$3.00 |
| | Share-the-Plate (Backpack Program) | \$2.00 |
| 8/12/19 | Sunday Collection | \$3,487.00 |
| | Pledges | \$3,470.00 |
| | Non-Pledged Revenue | \$7.00 |
| | Share-the-Plate (Backpack Program) | \$10.00 |
| 8/19/19 | Sunday Collection | \$296.28 |
| | Pledges | \$215.00 |
| | Non-Pledged Revenue | \$43.78 |
| | Share-the-Plate (Backpack Program) | \$37.50 |
| 8/28/19 | Sunday Collection | \$75.00 |
| | Pledges | \$10.00 |
| | Non-Pledged Revenue | \$10.00 |
| | Share-the-Plate (Backpack Program) | \$55.00 |
| 8/19/19 | Accrued Earnings (Viking Bank) | \$4.68 |
| 8/15/19 | August ACH (auto donations) | \$832.50 |
| TOTAL AUGUST REVENUES | | \$4,755.46 |

EXPENDITURES

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|---------------------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| Otter Dreaming | Music | \$90.00 |
| Steve McCargar | Childcare | \$105.00 |
| Lingonberry Event Center | Rent | \$400.00 |
| Otter Dreaming | Fellowship Coordinator salary | \$769.11 |
| Holly Moore | honorarium - August 11th | \$50.00 |
| Lor Miller | honorarium - August 18th | \$50.00 |
| Otter Dreaming | candles | \$42.07 |
| Otter Dreaming | bulletins | \$411.94 |
| Carolyn Corbin | updated Lingonberry sound system | \$165.86 |
| Erik Berg Design | window decal/logo | \$175.00 |
| TOTAL AUGUST EXPENDITURES | | \$2,083.98 |
| Net Income This Month | | \$2,671.48 |

OWL FUND

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|-------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Beginning balance: | August 1, 2019 | \$1,100.21 |
| REVENUES | | |
| | none | \$0.00 |
| EXPENDITURES | | |
| | none | \$0.00 |
| BALANCE AUGUST 31, 2019 | | \$1,100.21 |