

Decorah UU
Minutes
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Online via Zoom
Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Call to Order – The meeting began informally at 7:03 p.m. via Zoom.

Board Members Present – Matthew Alexander (Decorah UU Board Chair), Beth Wahlberg (Treasurer), Maggie Hayden, Lynn Pleggenkuhle, Julie Ohde.

Others Present – Decorah UU Fellowship Coordinator Otter Dreaming.

Chalice Lighting and Reaffirmation of the Board Covenant

Additions to the Agenda – Matthew invited follow-up on two topics to be added to Old Business: the OWL program; and the September 13th Ingathering. Beth noted that she had three items for consideration during the Treasurer's Report.

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

Reports

Approval of the Previous Month's Board Meeting Minutes – Matthew moved and Maggie seconded that the August Board Meeting Minutes be approved as received via email. The motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Treasurer's August 2020 Financial Summary (Addendum A) – Lynn moved and Matthew seconded that the Treasurer's Report be acknowledged. The motion carried. Beth noted that donations to Share the Plate are very low. Beth moved that Decorah UU provide a minimum of \$100 to the Plate recipient each cycle and that Decorah UU make up the difference, if less than that amount is collected while the Fellowship continues to meet virtually. After brief discussion, Maggie seconded Beth's motion. The motion carried. Beth also noted that Matthew needs to be a co-signatory on the Decorah UU checking account, so that he can sign checks, if need be. He can use these Minutes at the bank as acknowledgement that he is the Decorah UU Board Chair. Lastly, Beth noted that we usually pay non-member presenters at services according to whether they are local (\$50) or out-of-town (\$75). For now, while everyone is on Zoom, regardless of where they physically are, Decorah UU will pay \$50 to non-member presenters.

Old Business

- a. **Consider Share the Plate for November-December** – The Board will discuss potential recipients at the October meeting.
- b. **OWL Program** - Lara Martinsen-Burrell has been waiting for a response from the Board about the possibility of OWL meetings happening via Zoom or in person. OWL parents are not comfortable having OWL participants meet online because of what they're discussing. Now that school is starting, many of the OWL participants are probably seeing each other in person already. Matthew will contact Lara again to see where things stand. The OWL website notes that participants should plan to meet in person as soon as all are comfortable doing so.
- c. **Ingathering** – Matthew will write to Karen Esterl, Carolyn Corbin and Carl Peterson, acknowledging the Board's consensus that the Ingathering can proceed as planned: in person, implementing all appropriate safety precautions.

New Business

- a. **Meeting in person** – Board members agreed that Decorah UU will continue to meet remotely until at least January 2021 and that the Board will revisit the topic at that time.

Adjournment – Matthew moved and Lynn seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Extinguishing the Chalice

The Next Board Meeting – The next Board meeting is Tuesday, October 6th at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Otter Dreaming, Decorah UU Fellowship Coordinator

Addendum A

NEIUUF/Decorah UU Financial Summary for August 2020

NEIUUF/Decorah UU Assets as of: **August 31, 2020**

Certificates of Deposit	\$50,979.20
General Fund	\$35,122.14
Owl Account	\$1,416.01
TOTAL EQUITY	\$87,517.35

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES

8/7/20	Pledge by bank	\$50.00
8/20/20	Mailed pledges	\$280.00
8/20/20	correction to Fellowship Coordinator pay	\$41.06
8/31/20	Mailed pledges & donations	\$75.00
	Pledges	\$25.00
	Share-the-Plate (CARE)	\$50.00
8/17/20	Interest on checking	\$1.31
8/17/20	August ACH (auto donations)	\$942.50
	TOTAL AUGUST REVENUES	\$1,389.87

EXPENDITURES

	Otter Dreaming, Fellowship Coordinator salary	\$810.17
	Char Kunkel, Honorarium - August 2 nd	\$75.00
	Karen Misseldine, Honorarium - August 16 th	\$50.00
	Julie Berg-Raymond, Honorarium - August 30 th	\$50.00
	TOTAL AUGUST EXPENDITURES	\$985.17

Net Income This Month	\$404.70
-----------------------	----------

OWL FUND

Beginning balance: August 1, 2020	\$1,416.01
REVENUES none	\$0.00
EXPENDITURES none	\$0.00
BALANCE AUGUST 31, 2020	\$1,416.01