

UUFC--Minutes 3/11/2008

Attending: Peter, Mike Paget, Mike Kelly, Larry Siegel, Mary McGriff, Ann Cargill, Glenn White, Jessica Kross, Cheryl Soehl
Guests: Mike Allen, Eve Ross, Didi Doggette , Dave Crockett

MOTIONS PASSED

*Consensus Agenda passed as below.

ACTIONS TAKEN

* The Nominating Committee has agreed to report to the Board next month with proposal to change bylaws regarding committees.

*Board will request input via the Unigram about having a Committee night each month with a potluck during which all committees meet.

*Agreed to propose changing structure and function of Ministerial Relations Committee as part of new bylaws change.

*Asked for more information about a proposed school.

Consensus Agenda as presented by Peter: March 11, 2008 7:00 PM

- February minutes Accepted
- Reports
- Minister—report sent
- President
 - Create an Ad Hoc adult RE committee and add a line item in next year's budget for the committee
 - The Technical Services Committee (TSC) is working to upgrade our web presence.

- The TSC and friends Andrea Pixley and Justin Shearer are working on rolling out the Web application of our church management software system. This will allow members and friends to see their financial contributions, shared calendars of events, meetings, services, etc, talents, interests, and community bulletin board.
- Our community calendar etc will be accessed from our website. The TSC will be adding more pictures of members & friends so our website does not make the UUFC look like just a building. It will be even easier to hear Neal's sermons on-line.
- I have asked Regina Moody and Pat Mohr who did the memory lane of pictures for last year's canvass to make that series of pictures available for our site
- A full set of documents from our Master Plan including engineering reports, phasing studies (both architectural and financial), etc will be available on our site.

Various Reports.

Consensus agenda accepted. Glenn White moved, Ann Cargill seconded. Agreed.



➤ Discussion Agenda.



➤ **Membership agenda.** Eve Ross presented a suggestion for rationalizing committee meetings by having a potluck and then the meetings all on the same night once a month

➤ Problem if people on more than one committee.

- Various suggestions about having two sets of meetings that night and whether dinner should be before or after.
- Note that it hard to be effective on more than once committee.
- Note that many members of Membership on more than one committee.
- What about people unable to drive at night.
- Nominating committee is undertaking a broader role as a leader development committee. Will help recruit committee members and chairs of committees.
- This arrangement would mean Board members who liaison with committees would have to go to two meetings a month.
- Might be hard two Wednesdays in a row but better for committees to meet before the Board meeting so can get action quickly.
- Note how great that so many people want to be part of life of Fellowship.
- Question about viability of Denominational Affairs Committee.
- One of long term goals was to annually review committees.
- Should there be fewer standing committees and more ad hoc committees?
- Eve willing to look at the committees and how they fit into bylaws.
- Nominating willing to take on report to Board next month with proposal to change bylaws regarding committees.
- Board backs having a Committee Night. Peter wants it to begin sooner rather than later. Peter will put a notice in the Unigram and ask for comment. Ann will help with the wording and get it to Gin.
- Eve reports that an attendance book will be circulated during the offeratory.
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- **Treasurer's Report.**
- We are caught up on TJ and UUA dues and Neal's pension.
- We have \$100 contribution to the Endowment.

Discussion of reaction to master plan. Positive.

Stewardship Campaign. It too late for one-on-one canvass.

Don Dodson will co-chair the campaign. He's been a fund raiser—he a retired University professor.

Peter noted that we are doing more than raising money: also building community, sharing a vision, supporting the denomination and district.

Debt service needs to be a line item. We have no debt now. We need to work toward having 25% of our budget debt service once we undertake a capital funding obligation. Peter recommends that we get an equity line so we could buy chairs or such and we would already have it in the budget.

Built-in expenses next year

Neal and Didi will be 12 month.

Budget will be flat for 2-3 years during a capital fund drive.

We need to put employees on top even if can only give them COLA's.

Stewardship campaign takes 7 months. We need to have stable stewardship leadership.

There are also immediate facility needs before a renovation. Need chairs, HVAC, van accessibility. Need priority list to present to congregation.

It easier to raise money for something concrete rather than something like "debt service." Can raise money for chairs and air conditioner. What's important is that it is going to continue, not just one time.

➤ Mike P—we should go to visit area churches to see flexible seating.

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Ministerial Relations Committee -- Requests that the Board endorse a Bylaws change to restructure the current Ministerial Relations Committee (MRC) to a more comprehensive and efficient model, a Shared Ministry Committee (SMC).

Like non-profit advisory board.

Would assess ministry health of congregation.

Would be ombudsperson for the congregation
Would support minister and ministry.

Board agrees.



Proposal for a school.

➤ Board requested more information.

Confidentiality statements deferred to next month. Gin will

- put them in Mike P's box.

9:10. Adjourn.