

Minutes of UUP Board Meeting for April 5, 2020

Present via zoom: Dean Watson, Marlene Able, Sharon Davie, E-M Solari, Jodi Boyle

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1. Report from MSC. Discussion.
2. Income stream for this year: Pledges for this year not coming in at usual rate. Marlene will put announcement again in TWAUUP and Dean will include topic in his lead column in upcoming TWAUUP.
3. Pledge drive for next fiscal year: David suggested that in lieu of traditional spring pledge drive, we ask Members to consider pledging at same level as last year, if this is possible for them. Board members expressed their approval. No formal vote.
4. Timing of presentation of budget for 2020-2021: David suggested that Board present same budget as last year as "draft budget" at the June 1, 2020 meeting and ask congregation to vote on approval, with understanding that a final budget will be proposed to the congregation in the fall, once we have more financial information—considering the unusual circumstances of church finances given the coronavirus. We understand that this may need to happen virtually.
5. Jodi added that we need to vote at the June 1 meeting on new nominations for Board members. We need to contact Nominating Committee to offer names for potential new Board members.
6. The Board agreed that we need to amend the bylaws so members can vote virtually on new members and on draft budget at the June 1 meeting, also probably virtual.
7. Financial Relief Stimulus Package: David, Marlene and Linda are submitting an official UUP request for financial relief through stimulus package passed by Congress. Will report back.
8. Discussion of whether Board should request reduction in rent by UCC since not using physical space. Decision that Marlene and David will talk with UCC representative(s) about the issue and find out how they are doing. Same with partial payment of janitorial service; additional point made that we could join with UCC in keeping them on as an employee during this difficult time for all.
9. Question of increasing Dana's hours for fall: Have yet to receive formal request from RE Committee. Sharon and Jodi expressed hope that Dana will be kept on for summer hours.
10. Update on list serv: Dean and others noted that it is not being used by many members. Decided that Dean will talk about list serv as one way to communicate with other UUP members during Shelter in Place order.
11. Update on contact with UU Santa Rosa: Dean will reach out.
12. Next Board meeting will be held on April 19, 2020, on zoom.
13. Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Davie, Secretary