

First Jefferson Unitarian Universalist Church  
1959 Sandy Lane  
Fort Worth, TX 76112

Board of Trustees - Regular meeting  
February 19, 2017

Minutes

Board members present: Michael Zepeda, Irene Forrester, Mary West, Charlotte Bailey, as well as Reverend Jennifer Innis, ex-officio member. Bill Maginnis arrived in the middle of the meeting.

The meeting was held at First Jefferson, in Jagers Parlor.

Meeting called to order at 1:14 p.m. by Michael Zepeda.

Mary West stated that a quorum was present.

Michael read the covenant aloud.

Irene Forrester was appointed Process Observer and Charlotte Bailey appointed timekeeper.

A brief check-in occurred.

The Board reviewed the January minutes. A misspelling was identified, and the minutes accepted.

Reverend Innis gave the Minister's Report verbally.

Invited guest, Jean Bruttell, spoke to the Board about the possibility of First Jefferson becoming a Sanctuary for immigrants in danger of deportation.

Executive Session begins at 1:55 pm.

Executive Session ends at 1:57 pm.

Each member of the Board is to look at the Sanctuary information on the UUA website. Michael and Reverend Innis will check with UUA staff, NTUUC, and staff at First UU Austin (who have gone through this process). Charlotte will check on zoning issues.

The previous month's action items were reviewed -- Michael has not yet met with Mathieu Thiem concerning the Kitchen Committee or Dan Levine regarding the member at large position. The restroom signage had been put on hold until the new year. It was decided that the signs recently posted fulfill our need to indicate the restrooms are trans inclusive.

The Visibility Project was discussed. Some of the work has started and we are still getting bids from landscapers.

The church has received \$3,500 toward the Completion Campaign.

Bill Maginnis arrived to the meeting.

Michael spoke about offering organizing space to groups in need of a meeting place. We can advertise on our website the availability of space and the offer to be flexible on case. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to move forward with this.

Irene Forrester said the dimmer switch in the sanctuary becomes hot to the touch. Bill said he would fix it.

Charlotte stated CUUPS would like to do a blessing on church building March 11 at 10 am.

The preparation to host the Standing on the Side of Leadership meeting will be moved to an email conversation.

The Budget Drive will kick off March 19<sup>th</sup> with a luncheon. Stewardship Café will happen on March 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, as well as April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Desserts will be served.

Reverend Innis will do Stewardship training on March 12.

The meeting ended at 3:30 pm.

Action items from February meeting :

Topic	Who	What	Due Date
Member at Large	Michael	Ask Dan Levine to fill	March meeting
Kitchen Committee	Michael	Meet with Mathieu for update on Kitchen Committee	March meeting
LDC	Michael	Talk to Patrick Gutierrez about LDC members	March meeting
Sanctuary	Board	Read the toolkit on the UUA website	Following Sunday
Sanctuary	Reverend Innis and Michael	Talk to Connie and Natalie with UUA	March meeting
Sanctuary	Michael	Talk to Mark Anderson at First UU Austin	March meeting
Sanctuary	Charlotte	Check on zoning issue for someone to stay at the church long term	March meeting
Sanctuary	Michael	Talk to Emily Wood (NTUUC) for assistance	March meeting
Light in Sanctuary	Bill	Repair/Replace dimmer switch	March meeting
Budget Drive	Michael	Talk to Finance Committee for their projection for budget	March meeting