

## JULY 2019 MINUTES

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

Board of Trustees - Regular meeting  
July 21, 2019

Board members present: David Winkowski, Dan Sexton, Mary West, Della Purdin, Jo Burnham, and Betty Churchman.

Also present: The Reverend Annie Foerster, Charlotte Bailey, and Christina Luquis.

David called the meeting to order at 12:59 pm and the chalice lit.

Jo volunteered to act as Process Observer and Dan volunteered to be Timekeeper.

Mary said a quorum was present.

The agenda was reviewed.

Mary read the covenant.

All present checked in.

Charlotte and Christina wanted to address the Board with an idea for a CUUPS fundraiser. CUUPS usually does a bake sale the first weekend in August. With the ovens not working, they are not able to bake on the scale they usually do. They'd like to sell bath salts as an alternative fundraiser. The fundraiser would occur in September or October. The Board gave their approval for the alternate fundraiser.

David shared a poem from Reverend Annie's book for the spiritual practice.

The minutes from April and June were accepted.

Annie covered her Minister's Report.

Dan presented the Finance Report.

The previous month's action items were updated. All not designated as ongoing are marked as complete.

All took a short break.

The Black Lives Matter banner on the front of the church was discussed, along with other

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potential banners. Annie will write a column about the banner choices, she will also talk about in worship, we will take a poll of the church at potluck and a few more Sundays so all are able to voice their choices for the banners.

The church has received one quote for removing the pine tree at the front of the church. The roots are causing the front restrooms to flood. We will get more quotes before taking action. CUUPS would like to perform a ritual before removing the tree.

Della has been actively working with the other Tarrant County UU churches in preparation for the picnic on August 24. She continues to coordinate with Elec from Pathways on this.

Board Members will become liaisons with various committees in the church. David will ask Natalie Briscoe how other congregations keep in touch with Southern Region of the UUA. For now, here are the liaisons and the committees:

Mary – Membership, Worship Arts, Child/Youth and Adult RE

Jo – Building, Green Sanctuary, Social Justice, Rainbow

Dan – Grounds, Finance

Betty – Communications, Caring and Sharing, CUUPS

Della – Music, Historian, Library

Annie – Committee on Ministries and Internship

Marianne Herrman does not want to chair the Green Sanctuary Committee but she does want to serve on it.

Mary told the Board that CYRE was in need of carts so that weekly RE classes could put their supplies on them and roll into the RE closet so they are out of the way during the week when EC Stanton is using the classrooms. A motion was made, and seconded, to designate \$500 for EC Stanton preparation. The motion passed.

A group is currently using the church grounds for social activities on Sunday afternoons involving alcohol. We will ask the group to complete a form in order to be recognized as an official group with the church. David will also research other congregations' alcohol policies.

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Action items were reviewed:

Updated Action Item list:

Topic	Who	What	Due Date
Church chore sign-up sheet	Della	Compile a list of different chores to display on a sign-up sheet	Ongoing
Building	Dan	Replace/repair doors	Ongoing
Building	Dan	Roof repair	Ongoing
Building	David	Accessible front doors – cost and funding	August meeting
Green Sanctuary	Annie	Continue looking for a chair	August meeting
Church Council	Mary	Email Karl to put October 9 <sup>th</sup> on calendar	August meeting
Keyholder training	David	Have a training at August potluck so all know how to open and close building	August potluck
Donation Envelopes	Annie	Ask Karl about expense in getting envelopes printed	July meeting
Stewardship Committee	Dan and David	Continuing action item as look at other congregations process	August meeting
Alcohol policy	David	Research FJ's policies and look at other congregations' alcohol policies	August meeting
New group	Betty	Meet with Joel Bailey to discuss the new social group he is forming	August meeting
Church policies	David	Look at the written policies and the electronic policies to determine best way to combine	August meeting
Banners	Annie	Write a column, talk in worship, have voting for options	August meeting
Tree Removal	Dan	Get more quotes to remove pine tree	August meeting
Committee Liaisons	David	Contact Natalie Briscoe how Southern region keeps in contact with congregations	August meeting

The meeting adjourned at 3:47.