

GBAUUF Board Meeting Minutes

September 13th, 2023 || 6:30 p.m.

Chair: Natalie Buhl
Vice Chair: Annette Dreier
Past Chair: Kimberly Brumm
Secretary: Renae Sohlden

Senior Treasurer: Ramona Makos
Co-Treasurer: Roz Barker
Member At Large: Carl Bennett
Member At Large: Ron Ropson

We promise to:

- Show up with our best selves, intent on listening with openness and willingness to the voices in the room and those that are not.
- Speak with an authentic voice, grounded in our lived experience, mindful of differing cultural interpretations and realities that are present.
- Honor our duty to do the work of the board and to place anti-racism, anti-oppression, and multicultural accountability at the center of that work.
- Recognize that each of us is fully human, with hurts and vulnerability, and the need to laugh and sing

Adopted December 2019 by GBAUUF board of trustees

Items in italics were action items from last month

- I. Chalice Lighting
 - A. Attendance:
 1. Natalie
 2. Kimberly
 3. Annette
 4. Roz
 5. Ron
 6. Carl
 7. Renae
 8. Ramona
- II. Check-In
- III. Open forum and welcome to guests
 - A. Guest(s): Michael, Francesca, Rev Jim
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes
 1. Motion made by Natalie to accept the August minutes, Annette seconded
- V. Minister Report; see [August Minister's Report for Sept Board Meetings.docx.pdf](#)
 - A. Virtual attendance has been dropping
 - B. In-person attendance has gone up
 - C. Planning for 11 chalice circles - over 50% of our consortium membership

VI. Discussion Agenda

- A. Stewardship Team - see [\(Budget vs. Actual 2023-08.ods\).pdf](#)
 - Paid JOSHUA annual fund of \$250
 - Paid UUA annual fund of \$1,000
- B. Membership Team - see [Attendance report.pdf](#)
- C. Programming Team - see [Sunday Services](#)
 - Natalie will make an announcement in the Connect with the title and date of Book Club for fall, along with Spiritual Journey drop-ins
- D. Religious Enrichment Team
 - 1. Carl - contact RE Team? DONE
 - 2. Francesca - look over the list of previous RE volunteers and send them to Carl? DONE
- E. Social Justice Team - see [JOSHUA report.pdf](#)
- F. Building/Facilities Team - see [Facilities report](#)
 - 1. I would like a few more heads than just mine to decide where we will put the Pull for Police straps
 - Ramona, Roz and Michael will decide where to place the police straps
 - 2. What sort of training will we do for people who will be responsible for the system?
 - Will be discussed at the January 2024 Town Hall Meeting
 - 3. What training will we do for the congregation as a whole? In case of an armed intruder, to escape? For the use of the alarm?
 - 4. I need to get to the police station to fill out and hand in the permit form and set this up with the Police
 - 5. Francesca will put into the Connect that we still need an old phone
 - 6. Michael - able to fix the printer (due by September 16th) otherwise it will be recycled through JOSHUA? Not yet
 - 7. Renae - buy 9-volt batteries? DONE
 - 8. Michael - buy a fire extinguisher for the ATM room where we keep gas for the lawn mower? Not yet
 - 9. Michael - contact Church Mutual and order two alarm/alert systems? DONE

VII. Old Business

- 1. Ramona - emailed Pride event information to Francesca and Kimberly? DONE

VIII. New Business

- 1. Resignation of Andy Hetzel as Communications Specialist*
- 2. Resignation of Renae Sohlden as Secretary*
- 3. Resignation of Renae Sohlden as Nursery Childcare Provider*
- 4. GoFundMe for Michael*
- 5. Is everyone getting Board emails? YES
- 6. Church Mutual quotes (Roz) - see [Church Mutual quotes.pdf](#)
 - No changes will be made to our policy

*A closed session was held to discuss personnel issues

- IX. Review Action Items - see above, highlighted in orange
- X. Check Out
- XI. Adjourn at 8:26pm; motion to adjourn made by Carl, Kimberly seconded