

# GBAUUF Board Meeting Minutes

Aug 12, 2026 | 6:30 p.m.

Chair: Carl Bennett  
Vice Chair: Steven Linden  
Past Chair: Tim West  
Secretary: Nicole Bickham

Co-Treasurer: Topher Daniel  
Co-Treasurer: Ron Ropson  
Member At Large: Laura Schoff  
Member At Large: Jim Brey

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: Jim Brey, Carl Bennett, Laura Schoff - no quorum
- II. Check-In
- III. Open forum and welcome to guests
  - A. Guest(s): Aubrey, Michael, Francesca, Natalie
- IV. Consent Agenda
  - A. Minutes
    1. Without quorum, unable to accept July minutes. Passed to next month.
- V. Discussion Agenda
  - A. Stewardship Team - see [Financial Report](#)
    1. No update on Bank Balances this month.
    2. Ron & Ramona updated signers on accounts as designated in last month's minutes?
    3. Francesca followed up on the missing letter from Wells Fargo via FedEx.  
*She has an address and will do more research.*
  - B. Membership Team - see [Attendance Report](#)
    1. Membership Team is assisting Aubrey with inputting weekly attendance in Breeze.
    2. Currently at 85 members.
    3. Two pending new members: Bob Watkins and Nannette Guzzanato
    4. See [Caring Committee Report](#)
  - C. Programming Team - [Sunday Services Team Report](#)

- D. Religious Enrichment Team - no RE Report
- E. Social Justice -
  - 1. July event - House of Hope Diaper Drive
  - 2. Jim got info to Francesca for Connect about starting the Green Sanctuary subcommittee. **Francesca will wordsmith it and post it in the Connect.** Currently, Jim Brey, Chip Bircher, Roz Barker, Carl Bennett, and Laura Schoff.
- F. Building/Facilities Team - **Facilities Report**
  - 1. Ron contacted the company who did the parking lot repair to ask about the smaller cracks where weeds have started growing. There is no more movement on this from the company.

## VI. Old Business

- A. Francesca created a Word Doc from the FVUUF example that we can use going forward.
- B. See Tim's research on Legacy Giving program [attached](#). **(hold vote for next month's meeting)**
- C. Natalie forwarded [info](#) about an opportunity to host a concert at the Fellowship. We decided at July meeting not to pursue at this time. Nicole notified Natalie on 7/9.
- D. Francesca notified Melissa C we'd love to see her [Death Cafe proposal](#) move forward.
- E. Nicole scheduled a fall date for the *Eternal Song* film screening: Nov 12.
- F. Tim sent a copy of the Bylaws and a list of items to address to the other subcommittee members (Carl, Steven). Two items to address (per Carl) that will be addressed at the September meeting.
- G. Carl scheduled a meeting for the Board with our [UUA regional primary contact](#). QuianaDanae Perkins will join the **September board meeting at 5:30. Note time change.**
- H. Francesca gave Aubrey access to posting on the fellowship Facebook page.

## VII. New Business

- A. Tim Cordon Unity bus - August 29th (Janice via Tim West via Francesca). Since the fellowship is not ready with release documents at this point, we will pass on having the bus park here this time.
- B. A visitor here on Sunday (Jim) lives in De Pere and is interested in donating a grand piano to the UU. 1912 piano. Fully functional. Would need slight tuning. Donation denied for lack of space. (Audrey)
- C. Audrey has a few popup tents that she would be willing to donate to the fellowship. Accepted by those present. Will store in the basement. (Audrey)
- D. Aubrey met with Margaret and Donna Aubrey will take on coordinating the RE program. Aubrey will meet with Toni Larken-Bear August 13th.
- E. Aubrey suggested starting a Family Life Team to create events for families: park visits, movie nights, etc.

- VIII. Review Action Items (highlighted above in orange)
- IX. Check Out
- X. Without quorum, cannot make a motion to adjourn. We are stuck here until September.  
Adjourned at 7:14 p.m.