

UUFC Board Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2021, 7-9 pm

[Zoom link](#)

[Facilitated](#) by Scott

Reading by Sheryl

Summary for UUFC [newsletter](#) by Scott

Minutes by Scott Bruslind and Steve Strauss

- 1. Open Meeting** *with pizza and BYObeer!*
- 2. Consent agenda**
 - a) March Meeting [minutes](#)
 - b) Have all members [signed up](#) for video/text for pledge drive ?
 - c) Building expansion project [update](#) (Nick Houtman)
 - d) [Treasurer's Report](#)
 - Financial docs supporting treasurer's report
 - [UUFC Balance Sheet](#)
 - [UUFC Profit-Loss](#)
 - [Building Expansion Balance Sheet](#)
 - [Building Expansion Profit-Loss](#)Agreed without revision
- 3. Minister's report** (Jill)
 - Pledge Drive Update: on track, closes at the end of the week, but Kedo will be our video sweeper for final push in early May.
 - Building Project Gift:** anonymous (thank you) \$0.5MM gift, if matched with same amount from reserves allows us to meet Phase 1 budget without borrowing money. Needs to be on annual meeting agenda.
 - Re-opening in stages:** Covid task force meets next week,

Parking Lot Hospitality: car camper has asked/received permission to stay in our parking lot, drawing the ire of at least one neighbor. Jamie will send City of Corvallis legal guidance for Board background. We'll reach out to our neighbors when a new person takes residence, and in conjunction with the Zen Center. BOD recognizes our mission to help provide refuge for homeless near to us as we seek open communication and a united way forward. Outcome could be a UUFC Policy or Procedure. Pres. Steve felt there should be guiding policy that considers needs of the homeless, our neighbors, and risks to UUFC re. liability and reputation. Will put on agenda for future BOD meeting.

RE Council Invitation May 2: big, big, big opportunity to support RE visioning. BOD encouraged to participate and order pizza. RE is perhaps the most important evangelizing this denomination does.

8th Principle Project, May 23: EDI taking the lead on this fractious issue. Lots of dialogue ahead. Need to reconcile with Widening the Circle work and some dissent within UUFC and nationally. Will be a top item during UUA GA.

- 4. 2021-22 budget, pledge status - update** (Herky)
(Note: draft budget is in 2020-2021/Financials folder)
Thorough projections that list options depending on Fellowship pledge support. Final proposal to be topic of 05/11 meeting
- 5. Annual meeting agenda - theme** (Jill)
Possible features include *Immigrant and Refugee Team report, congregational survey summary, policy revision summary, modified Council/annual budget process, funding outlook re. new building and new donations*
Also COVID projection. Steve and Herky developing agenda, BOD to finalize on 05/11.
- 6. Emergency response / communications** (Jill)
Scott to reach out to Roz Keeney and Peter Sanford and follow up with Steve Ferrell. Integrated response for hate crimes, as well as natural disasters. Breeze text-out to be trialed with BOD cell numbers.
- 7. Nominations committee update** (Sheryl)
8 of 9 BOD slots filled, meets Bylaw requirement of at least 7 BOD members.
- 8. Widening the Circle / 8th Principle project - updates** (Jill)

Larry Roper and Justice Council asked for BOD replies. Steve followed up by making sure all BOD members saw the email request. Please reply direct to Larry.

- 9. Credentials to virtual General Assembly** - appointing delegates (Jill)
BOD and first timers invited to participate. Sheryl and Ann would like to be credentialed.

10. Policy review

Some further edits to be made by Herky together with Russ re. Investment policies prior to next BOD meeting. Carl to make some further edits re. format. Steve to check numbering. Carl and others may suggest rewording the new nominations committee policy if sent within one week. Other edits listed below all accepted.

Final review

Please review [this](#) reformatted document with all policies, now in Word, looking at the sections showing revision marks for a first look - also consider order/organization changes that might make sense

Some specific sections to look at in final form for first time after prior discussion about them

Introduction language

New 1.2 - Councils, connections council

New 1.5, 1.6, 1.7 - RE related policies

New 5.1, 5.3, 5.4 - Rentals, art

New 1.11, 1.12, 1.13, 2.2, 2.3 - Privacy, closures, services, officiates, discretionary/emergency fund

New 4.4 - 4.9 - Record keeping, credit, investments, gifts, justice outreach

New 5.2 - Weapons

- 9. Council updates:** RE Council (Jill) (deferred; see invitation for May 2 on page that follows below)

10. Next BOD meeting Tuesday May 11 (one week earlier than usual - to focus on budget and other preparation for the Annual Meeting.)

Intergenerational

adjective intər-ˌje-nə-ˈrā-shnəl, -shənəl : existing or

occurring between generations OR Friendship between people of very different ages!

On May 2, 2021, The RE Council invites every member of our community, the tall and the small, to hang out (virtually), eat pizza (yeah, we'll send you some! No joke!) and explore how our time in community can be even more awesome by learning to be better at hanging out with people who aren't just like us.

The plan: You'll be in groups with people much older and much younger than you, with very different experiences and expectations. So come planning to be a good listener and a polite speaker.

You'll be invited to share your thoughts on why hanging out with people old enough to be your parents or young enough to be your grandkids can be really fun or terrifyingly uncomfortable.

Your final challenge, should you choose to accept it, is to commit to one small way that you'll connect with someone (or a whole lot of someones) over the next few months and report back at a celebration about how your part in our social science experiment went. Good or bad, we want to hear about it!