

Summary of the August 2015 Meeting of the Board of Trustees

The UUCR Board met for its monthly meeting on August 18.

Julie Robinson presented the monthly financial report. We appreciate all of the work done by the dedicated and creative chair and members of the Finance Committee. Especially appreciated is Julie, who reports on all income and expenses by category, including investments.

The co-chairs for our Fall Fundraiser are Aaron Pied and Richard Chitty. We thank them for leading this event and we are excited about the fun we will have on Saturday, October 31. In addition to her monthly report, Rev. Lynn Strauss shared her leadership philosophy with us. We are fortunate that Lynn values experienced congregational leaders and supports new and emerging leaders through our leadership development workshops.

The Board amended the Congregational Advocacy Policy for Social Justice to add an accelerated authorization process for ministerial prophetic action, requiring support by the Lay Ministry Council and the Social Justice Committee, and consultation with and approval by the Board of Trustees. The amended policy authorizes the minister to lead the congregation in meeting the injustices and suffering of our time in support of a Unitarian Universalist Association Action of Immediate Witness or other immediate need.

The Board approved a Policy for Considering New Initiatives. This is a consistent process for new initiatives that will use UUCR facilities, funding, or staff time, or which are likely to require considerable volunteer effort by the congregation beyond the initiating group. Both of these policies will be reviewed at the Town Hall after the service on Sunday, September 20. Please plan to be there.

The Board discussed ways to honor UUCR's 60th anniversary. In addition to celebrating, we want to honor the past and position UUCR for the next 60 years. We reviewed the long list of capital improvements to ensure that the buildings and grounds support the transformation of our community. Please stop by the Board table in Fellowship Hall after Sunday services to speak with a member of the Board about what is on your mind.