

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP of LONGVIEW
Governing Board Meeting
April 18, 2010
MINUTES

Board Members Present: President Jessica Noble, Vice President Marolen Mullinax, Secretary Sky Mitchell, Treasurer Huey Mitchell, Director-at-Large Amanda Koepke, Director-at-Large Celeste Fisher

Absent Board Members: Director-at-Large Chip Koepke; Director-at-Large Tina Rushing

Jessica called the meeting to order by lighting the candle and reading a short passage.
The covenant was read by the board members.

The minutes from the March 21, 2010 board meeting were reviewed. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as submitted.

Celeste reported that the behavioral covenant has been posted in the lobby and copies made available for those who want them.

Celeste and Amanda reported that the following people have volunteered to serve on the next Board: Marolen, Huey, Betty R, Gabi, Lisa, Julie, Amanda, and Celeste.

John Riley delivered several copies of the new UUFL Directory.

Amanda reported that she had contacted Daniel Polk about advertising resources. He says they exist but will have to get back to her later with that information.

Huey said that new wiring for the R E building is estimated to cost about \$5000.00 Marolen said she had faxed all the pertinent paperwork to Gary Shaver (an attorney). He will review the material and then write a demand letter to Patrick Sweeney (dba East Texas Restoration & Remodeling).

Huey said he contacted AT&T to find out what their lowest rate is and to have the long distance service dropped. AT&T said they could reduce our bill by about \$10.00 per month. However, we have just received a letter from them asking for a \$12.50 "assurance fee." Huey will continue to investigate the cost of phone service.

Sky presented the final draft of the Fellowship's response to people asking for financial assistance from the Fellowship via phone calls, email, or coming to the church. Copies will be available in the lobby so any member who is approached can offer assistance. Sky offered to inform the congregation about what we are putting in place.

The Board then moved on to New Business. Huey presented the financial report. There were no questions or corrections. It will be filed for audit.

The Board then took up the proposed budget for the coming fiscal year. It was decided to put a line item in Expenses in the amount of \$3500 because we expect to have to replace one of the air conditioning units in the coming year.

Marolen listed the speakers and programs for May: Jessica Noble, Marolen Mullinax, Judith Ward/ACBM, Martin Bryan/UU Tyler visits/Pot Luck, and the UUFL Congregation Discusses Current Events

Amanda shared several ideas for orienting incoming Board members and noted that we already had some of them in place.

- articles of incorporation
- bylaws
- funding info
- board policies-this would be our covenant etc as we develop them, fiscal policies
- annual reports
- contact info for all board and key staff members
- committee info, members, and duties
- minutes from last three meetings
- financial statements

There being no further business to discuss, Jessica adjourned the meeting and extinguished the candle.

Sky Mitchell, Secretary