

UNITY CHRIST CHURCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 18th, 2017

PRESENT:

President Lawrence Johnson, Treasurer Rudolph Clay,
Secretary Kellie Mayhew, and Board Member Juankee McKinney

Minister: Rev. Ron Palumbo

Guests: Harry Drake

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:42pm by Johnson. Rev. Palumbo lead the Board in opening prayer and the reading of an affirmation.

Check-in: Each Board member shared his/her personal requests for prayer.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

SECRETARY: Review of Minutes

A motion was made by Rev. Palumbo and seconded by McKinney to approve the Board Minutes for the month of April, 2017. Vote: Yes 5, NO 0, Abstain 0. The motion passed.

MINISTER: Rev. Palumbo

- An update was given on the preparation for the Friendship Festival.
- A Computer was purchased for the Minister's office
- There is no sewer issue in the bathroom on the south end of the building as reported earlier.

PRESIDENT:

- McKinney will chair the July 15th Board Meeting. Johnson will be out of town.
- Clay will write an entry for the monthly advertisement in the Spirit Seeker Magazine.
- The National Institute of Health Outreach Office invited area Unity churches to participate in a pilot program focused on providing inspirational literature to those in the community healing from cancer. No action was taken, the information was shared with the Board.

TREASURER: Presented by Clay. The treasury report is based on year to date transactions as of April 30, 2017.

1. Current assets come to a total: **\$1,379,605.50**
2. Total income year to date is **\$6,973.08**; total expenses come to **\$11,846.06**
3. Attendance for the month of April: 208
4. Offerings for the Month of April: \$5,499.54

A motion was made by Rev. Palumbo and seconded by McKinney to approve the April 2017 Treasury Report. VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abstain 0. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Square Presentation: by Kellie Mayhew.

Mayhew presented a report recommending the use of Square Merchant Services to process card transactions and the purchase of needed hardware to utilize the merchant software.

A motion was made by Mayhew and seconded by Rev. Palumbo to allocate \$200 toward the purchase of hardware to access the Square Merchant Service; a tablet, chip reader, and printer. VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abstain 0. The motion passed.

AC Unit leak: Reported by Rev. Palumbo

Currently awaiting estimates on cost of HVAC repairs from Murphy Repair Services.

NEW BUSINESS:

Order of Service: Reported by McKinney/Clay

Rev. Palumbo and platform assistants will revise the order of Sunday Service to accommodate new additions.

Youth Ed involved in Sunday Service: by Rev. Palumbo

Rev. Palumbo would like to incorporate a Youth Education oriented segment into Sunday Service to include the children that attend Sunday School.

A motion was made by Rev. Palumbo and seconded by Clay to approve the action of Youth Ed staff to receive free CD's of Sunday Service recordings and to have a standing 10% discount on all bookstore materials. VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abstain 0. All approved.

Minister's Welcome Celebration: by McKinney

Due to the Friendship Festival's set date of June 4th, the date for Rev. Palumbo's Welcome Celebration has been moved to Sunday July 2nd. Announcements for up coming events will be made in Sunday Services and by email.

Budget Revisions: by Johnson

A proposal was presented by Johnson to modify lines; 5027A, 5027C, 5101, and 5134 in the Unity Christ Church 2017 Budget.

- Line 5027A, from \$30,000 to \$50,000
- Line 5027C, add an additional \$1200 for retirement accommodations
- Line 5101, Computer expenses from \$200 to \$1500
- Line 5134, Guest Speakers from \$200 to \$3800

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by McKinney to approve the proposed changes to the Unity Christ Church Annual Budget for 2017.

VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abstain 0. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by McKinney to ratify the purchase of a computer for the Minister's office in the amount \$943.00

VOTE: Yes 5, No 0, Abstain 0. The motion passed.

NO Announcements

Adjourned by President Johnson at 10:15 pm

Closed Session began at 10:16pm and ended at 11pm.