Minutes of UUCSF Board Meeting September 9, 2021

(Board comments are in *italics*; action items are in *bold italics*)

People Attending1:

Linda Engbrenghof Kathy Engel Rev. Kimberly Quinn Johnson Ingrid Krinke David Holstein

Agenda:

Consent Agenda

- Finance/Treasurer Report
- Upcoming Fund Raising Project
- August 2021 Minister Report
- August 2021 LIAC Reports
- August 12, 2021 final meeting minutes

The Finance Report was highlighted. The issue was the balance in the Helping Hands falling from \$2,800 in July to \$1,300 in August. The difference being a \$1,500 check for the Minister's Discretionary Fund. Conversation revolved around transparency and knowledge regarding balances to facilitate Helping Hands planning as well as other areas such as Little Food Pantry. **Ingrid will follow-up with John**

The Consent Agenda was approved.

Discussion Agenda

- Rentals: Shine contract signed with the rental beginning Oct 1. Collected \$6,000 check for 1st month rent and 1 month security. Building and Grounds approved planned cosmetic changes to downstairs (by Shine) which could total \$25K.
- Emergency Repairs to Outside Deck: Beam replacement. 2 bids received -- 1) \$14,000 and 2) \$5,200. Discussion that is important to identify a minority contractor. Urgency of repairs is a priority. Agreed to postpone the decision a week to try to identify possible candidates. Kathy will work on some avenues to explore. The preferred 2nd contractor with the lower price is Ecuadorean and did the work on the office reconfiguration.
- Re-opening: Survey nearing completion with phone calls being made to Members/Friends who have not responded. Re-opening Committee will meet on Monday (9/13) with expectations of a recommendation to the Board.

¹ Via Zoom

^{*}Copy attached

- Revision our Council Meetings:
 - What is the purpose of the Council Meetings? Sharing of information;
 Building awareness, engagement, community and developing synergies among groups; Making a connection with one another round table discussions
 - Basic reporting can be done in many ways using the website and email bulletin. A brief video could more effective than a written report.
 - What can we do to make the Council Meeting something that folks want to attend? Meetings could be in-person; in a safe environment; include food and breaking bread together. A celebration rather than a meeting.
 - Reimagining how we work together. Inviting language/actions rather than
 a sense of obligation/requirement. Use many resources (videos, readings,
 art, stories) to inspire us in facing tomorrow's challenges.
 - Topics that might bring different Committees together into community could be Environmental Justice, The 8th Principle, Food Insecurity, Anti-Racism.
 - Worship is not the only thing that brings us together. Let's embrace the fullness of what our community has to offer.
 - Our Faith Community should be able to dream together. The connection of Faith and Justice will be explored as a topic by Rev Kimberly, Linda and Kathy
- Meeting Evaluation Process Evaluation Tool: Not discussed

The October Board Meeting will be 10/21.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

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