

Oaklandon Unitarian Universalist Church  
Minutes of the Executive Board

Date:  
01/10/2016 8:46AM

Attendees:  
Sharon L. Sims  
Judy Kirkham  
Pat Matthews  
Michael Cohen  
Charlotte A. Pontius  
Richard K. Meyer  
Thomas W. Osgood

Not attending:  
Peggy Griffith  
Linda Rice

Minutes taken by:  
Richard Meyer

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Charlotte lit the chalice.

Minutes:

Changed “Tom and Charlotte are bringing all individual budgets up-to-date.” to “Tom and Charlotte are bringing all individual funds up-to-date.” and “Share the Plate/Cupboard There are funds for milk and eggs at will be spent.” to “Share the Plate/Cupboard There are funds for milk and eggs that will be spent.”

Pat motions to approve Minutes from December as corrected.  
Tom seconds.  
Vote approves.

Financial Report:

Income is at 59%  
Expenses are at 54%  
Of special note is that Buildings & Grounds expenses are at 107%

Those expenses include:  
Dry out basement  
Furnace inspection  
Nursery updates  
Several consulting fees regarding needed repairs  
Fire extinguisher service and elevator service are coming up

Tom moves to approve

Pat seconds.  
Vote approves.

#### Tom's report

Charlotte mentions there is money in the Operating fund that needs to be moved to the Capital Fund. Tom is unsure if there are any Board Reserves that are in the Operating Fund.

Charlotte will be working on statements of donation for the congregation.

#### Worship Coordinator:

Freedom Indiana is the next Share the Plate recipient.  
The next worship series is "Health & Wellness," starting in April.

#### Social Justice:

Kaye will be bring \$280.40 for the Guest at your Table donations.

We received a thank you letter from the family we "adopted."

#### Buildings and Grounds:

Sherry had a pile of bids on needed repairs, but does not have them today.

Masonry bids are both around \$550

No bids on hand for the shingle repairs.

Window restoration. The plexiglass has trapped heat and caused the zinc to soften and the frame to expand. The frame and glass will need to be pulled and redone. We only need one window repaired. We do not have a bid as the contractor was unable to provide one prior to a family emergency.

Plaster repairs.

Current estimates range up to \$5200, depending on which option we choose. There is discussion of using funds from one of our CDs. Discussion ranges from replacing the plaster with plaster, to replacing the plaster with drywall. Sherry will work with Bea to consolidate the bids, and will talk to Antonio to see if someone in their congregation would be able to do the drywall work.

#### Other:

Consultant:

Sherry has exchanged several emails with Ray Wilson of Indianapolis. He is not available 2/7, so we will need to coordinate another day. Before then, we need to come up with another time to get together. Sherry will be out of the country as of 2/14.

Sherry's Notes:

Recent articles on small churches that survive show that they are ones that change.

How do we know if we have a future, and if "yes", what do we do about it?

How do we work on engagement?

Lawn care

Group approves that will continue with Thie Brothers.

Sherry would like them to also trim the weeds around the lightpole by the garden, and that they would mow by Monday.

Nominating committee:

Judy and Tom have gone through the list of available members for nomination.

Covenant:

Tom will meet 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays starting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in February.

The set builder for the plays cleaned our attic and found a box of things we should look through. Donna suggests we give him a gift card. Tom suggests we use the \$50 allocated for backstage cleaning. Group approves.

Next meetings:

02/07

03/13

04/10

05/08

Meeting adjourned – 10:09