

**Oaklandon Unitarian Universalist Church Board
MINUTES**

Date:
10/18/2015 8:35AM

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

Not attending:
Peggy Griffith
Linda Rice

Minutes taken by:
Richard Meyer

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Charlotte lit the chalice.

Minutes:
Pat moves to approve minutes from last meeting. Judy seconds. Vote approves.

Financial Report:
Income YTD at 18066.76, which is 37% of budget. Expenses are at 12312.27, which is 25% of budget. This gap will close as the year goes on, as many members make a one-time donation at the beginning of the year. An additional \$500 was spent but not on the sheet for foundation assessment.

Tom Moves to approve. Michael seconds. Vote approves.

Tom will be providing an additional report of the funds in the checking account, including board reserves and capital fund. Share the Plate funds totaled \$871.44.

Worship Coordinator:
Things are going well overall. Kaye looked through the attendance log and noticed a decline. 4y ago we had around 40, now around 20.

Social Justice:
Family Promise is the new group for Share the Plate. They can come talk to us one Sunday.

Buildings and Grounds:
Michael reports an extensive walkthrough was done with an engineer. Accu-Level is good at fixing foundation problems, but have difficulties determining what is a foundation problem.

He said most of the foundation cracks are superficial. The issues with the stained glass windows are due to water getting into the frame and changing its size. He suggests getting both frame and stained glass people involved. Charlotte mentions this could be available for a grant since it is external.

The back wall, however, is bowing by a couple of degrees. It has been shored up within the last 20-30 years, so it seems to be an issue that has been growing for some time. It does not seem to be an emergency. Michael will inquire as to what sort of company would do that work.

There is a section where some wood has rotted away and needs to be filled in with mortar by a mason. This is something that concerned the engineer.

Other:

Seventh Day Adventists: No major issues going on.

Bonnie Jones has started priming the wood paneling downstairs.

Work Day – Nov 7th, 2-5

Administrative assistant hire follow-up:

Sherry is supervising, and trying to get a schedule for her to get 3-4h per week. Upstairs office will have inboxes for communications as needed.

Charlotte moves we purchase the HP MFP M225DW printer previously mentioned. Pat seconds. Vote approves.

Laptop – Sentiment expressed thus far is against the idea of providing a laptop. Bea will be asked after some time has passed.

Sherry worries about our size being too small to support. Charlotte mentions additional programming.

Sherry mentions doing a recording (podcast? Writing? Video?) of some “This I Believe” messages posted on the website. Updating the website with committees, as well as groups.

A request to discuss non-church-related items in the newsletter. Some personal advertisements, etc. Possibly allowing for advertisements, possibly as leverage for discounts.

Tom brings up the topic of covenant. Sherry mentions possibly having a group get-together one evening a week. Tuesday.

Charlotte motions to adjourn. Tom seconds. Vote approves.

Meeting adjourned - 9:53