

Attending: Lynda Shannon-President, Mary-Jane Cross, Carrie McEvoy, Catherine Onyemelukwe, K.C. Senie, Bob Trefry, John Turmelle, Ken Vogel, Chris Seiple (via teleconference), Rev. John Morehouse (ex-officio)

Guests: Dorothy Adams – Executive Director; Linda Hudson

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Motions & Votes (M/S/V);
Call to Order at 7:05	Chalice lighting and opening/ C Seiple gave a reading from Rev. F Hall.	Guests, observers welcomed to the meeting
Consent Agenda	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minutes: April 2017 Board Meeting 2. UUA Delegates approval 	M/S/V to approve Consent Agenda –approved.
Information Reports	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. YTD Financials 2. ED and Minister’s Reports 3. Lift Update 	3. J Turmelle reports final work on the lift is progressing and is very close to being complete.
2017-2018 Budget Revision	<p>C Onyemelukwe presented the revised budget which has been reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee. It has been reduced on both the income and expense sides due to pledges running approximately 5% behind last year. Stewardship w/ Rev. Morehouse are actively reaching out to the unpledged group.</p> <p>C Seiple asked if there is any demographic data about the people who have not pledged. No common areas have been identified at this point; this is an area that Stewardship can look into.</p> <p>L Shannon presented overall trends across all churches – reduced attendance, pledging, overall giving, and facilities that are a financial drain on congregational resources.</p> <p>Rev Morehouse advised we have to find more creative ways to raise funds; have to apportion resources better for the size congregation we are.</p> <p>D Adams notes our cash balance sheet is fine right now. She requests Board priorities on goals so that staff can better determine where to spend money.</p> <p>R Trefry suggests the Board and Rev Morehouse start now to set long range (2018-19) Ends priorities.</p> <p>Rev J Morehouse requested Board approval for \$80,000 to contract for parking lot repaving. The money spans this year’s and next year’s spending; an additional Congregant gift covers part of this expense.</p>	<p>Board agreed to prioritize Ends, establish monitoring policies, set a calendar for reporting, and discuss resource allocation at retreat.</p> <p>M/S/V to approve \$80,000 to be spent on parking lot repaving.- Passed</p>

TUCW BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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<p>Deep Chair Discussion</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review of Board Sustainability questionnaire. 2. Assessment of Board President’s Leadership – Lynda has been a strong leader in our move to implementing policy governance this year, which was needed. Going forward the full Board needs to take more ownership of the policies and plans. Our focus this coming year will be setting priorities, communicating with the Congregation. Rev Morehouse noted this could be messy and we need to let it be. 3. Exercise on recognition of specific threats and resources in our congregation. 4. Communication ideas from Board members: Look at Arlington VA website to see how PG and communication is working. Survey the congregants - how do you want to be communicated with, how would you communicate a need. Education of specific groups in TUCW to bring them along. Gallery Walk – specific people invited to talk to board about areas of policy governance. Hosted coffee hour and invite people to join us. 5. Board Leadership Positions nominations. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. K Vogel, C McEvoy will propose addition to Conflict of Interest wording re personal conflicts 3. At our August retreat, the Board will discuss and determine which threats, resources to focus on next year. 4. Each Board member filled in suggestions for the Board officer positions next year. MJ Cross will compile all these into a slate for review and vote at the June Board meeting.
<p>Board Huddle (8:50)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brief Check in 	
<p>Check out /Assignments</p>		<p>Individual Assignments as noted in these minutes. Catherine will send out e-soundings and OOS announcement for May 28 Town Hall – Finance Lynda to send out doodle sign-up to change June Board meeting date.</p>
<p>Process Observer</p>	<p>R Trefry reported the meeting went well; Lynda handled the board feedback very well; and when someone expresses a feeling, that we should respect it as that person's truth.</p>	
<p>Closing Reflection</p>	<p>C Onyemelukwe gave closing words from W. Arnason.</p>	
<p>Announcements and Adjournment</p>	<p>Next Board Meeting - Sunday, June 11, 2017 at 3:00 PM (following Annual meeting) Board retreat – August 25,26 - hold the dates. Meeting adjourned at 9:15</p>	<p>Meeting assignments for June 20: Set-up: Lynda & MJ Refreshments: Ken & JohnT Chalice lighting: Carrie Process Observer: KC Closing reflection: Bob Break down: Chris & Catherine</p>

... Respectfully submitted,
 ... Mary-Jane Cross, Board Secretary May 16, 2017

