

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

Absent: Chris Seiple, Catherine Onyemelukwe

Guests: Steve Grathwohl, Julio Torres- Intern

Agenda/Topic	Discussion	Motions & Votes (M/S/V); Actions
Opening	Meeting called to order 7:06 Chalice lighting – KC Senie read “A Brave & Startling Truth” by Maya Angelou	
Consent Agenda	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minutes: April 2017 Board Meeting 2. UUA Delegates approval (add delegates) 3. Approval of new Finance Committee members 	M/S/V to approve Consent Agenda. Passed.
Discussion / Information Items	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Senior Minister Reports – questions on which metrics seem good vs bad to Rev John. Ken suggests we build up a context over time of where these all fit in. Lynda suggests it might be time to go back to one service – we are a smaller Congregation, likely to stay that way for a while. Rev J mentioned that the Realm Involvement Bar is not working as he hoped it would. 2. Discussion of tracking and storing all the historical Congregation documents. As the TUCW historian since 1998, L Bluestein has TUCW archives (14 filing cabinets) at her house. She suggests TUCW find a secure place to keep these. 3. A Primer on Resolutions and #Me Too Communications Plan 4. Revised Budget & 2017-18 Reforecast and Treasurer Report 5. TUCW Policies Index 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. K Vogel will look at the Realm Involvement Bar to see if it can work to track volunteer involvement. 2. J Torres offered to scan in all the Annual Reports that are kept in the church office. The Board and Rev. John will discuss document management, care, storage at a future meeting.
New Staff Position	Assistant Minister for Faith Formation – Rev John has formed a search committee to look for a person for this position. It is not a settled minister position. He hopes to have someone by the beginning of our next program year. He is formulating a backup plan if we do not find a good person for this position.	Search Committee: C McEvoy, E Rockman-Blake, Cathy McElroy, Cecilia McElroy, R Saunders, B Lieberman, Rev. John, with K Leddy as Process Coach
Recognitions	Dedication of lift in name of H Aibel. Proclamation of gratitude for Rev Ed Thompson’s service.	M/S/V to dedicate our lift in the name of Howard Aibel. Passed. M/S/V to read proclamation of gratitude for Ed Thompson’s service at June 3 celebration. Passed.

Ministry & Governance	<p>C Seiple has resigned the Board of Trustees, effective immediately citing increased demands of his job and two sets of aging parents requiring more attention from both he and Carol.</p> <p>How we feel about our Board service this past year -we set the policies and are living within Policy Governance; we moved away from micro-management of church functions. We are able to look out further.</p> <p>New Board Member Orientation – Board Retreat on Sept 7/8, 2018 will include orientation and Policy Governance review, plan for next year. Nomination for 2018-19 Board Officers – election on June 10.</p> <p>The Annual Meeting – Lynda will chair the meeting; Ken will be back-up chair if she cannot make it.</p> <p>Visioning: Who Will Do this Next Year? Rev J hopes to bring in a consultant to do a weekend workshop on visioning. The Sponsoring body (Board) takes the results from the workshop and moves it forward to produce a statement to be taken to the Congregation. A Capital Campaign can then be undertaken to raise money to meet the vision.</p>	<p>Board will appoint a person in June to fill the final year of Chris's term.</p> <p>B Trefry will plan the details of the retreat. KC will update the Board notebook prior to the Retreat.</p> <p>L Bluestein will send out a nomination form to be filled out and returned to MJ for June 10 packet.</p> <p>The Board is fully committed to engaging in the Searching for a Future process with the Congregation. Rev John will set up a weekend workshop on visioning in the Fall 2018. Rev John will send the Board an invitation to a ZOOM meeting for engaging a consultant.</p> <p>At retreat or Sept meeting, the Board will also revisit how the CEO and we should interface with each of the other Elected Committees this next year.</p>
Board HUDDLE	Time for personal check In.	
Check Out / Assignments /		Individual between meeting assignments noted in these minutes.
Process Observer	Ken – smoothly run, some over-talking but comments were all respectful.	
Closing Reflection	John T offered a reading from E Cooper Ross & an Irish Blessing	

Adjournment & Announcements	Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm. Next Board Meeting – Sunday, June 10, 2018 following the Annual Meeting	Meeting assignments* for June 10, 2018 Chalice lighting: Ken Process Observer: KC Closing reflection: Rev John <i>* If you need a sub to take over your assignment please make those arrangements before the meeting.</i>
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Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Jane Cross, Board Secretary May 15, 2018