

Unity of Greater Hartford  
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
Oct. 26, 2021

Attending, Lee Dittman, Angela Cimadon, Sandra Dickerson, Sue Smallidge, Christine Kiely, Wendy Billings, Rev. Christine Boylan

Pray in - 6:35, Rev. Christine  
MasterMind prayer - Lee Dittman

### Old Business

- **September minutes**, Sue - were approved via email
- **Future Events Calendar** – Angela - Reviewed
- **Church Picnic recap.** - great opportunity to talk with fellow congregants and have fun (balloons!)  
People liked the setting.
- **Unity Community Meeting recap-** Oct 3, There will be a letter going out to congregants with commitment cards. Suggestions and discussion followed on the content of this letter and follow-up letters. We will visualize increased prosperity in all forms for our church and congregants while appreciating the prosperity that we do have in so many forms. At the meeting the Board requested suggestions from congregants about the church community and ideas on how to meet our deficit. We will discuss those suggestions at a future Board meeting.
- **Review Church Protocols** - South Windsor has lifted the mask requirement for vaccinated. Motion was made and seconded that vaccinated people may attend church without a mask but unvaccinated people will still be required to wear masks. Motion passed unanimously
- Discussion continued on singing in church. Motion was made and seconded, that singing in the church, **with masks on**, will begin as soon as Carolyn has received her booster shot.
- Discussion continued about food brought to Unity. We don't have a fellowship committee at the present time. We decided to add the toasters and toaster oven
- **Membership Class** - If you can attend one or several or all of the classes, please email Rev. Christine.

### Reports

- **Minister** - Rev. Christine reviewed her monthly report. The heating system was evaluated after it caused the smoke detectors to go off when the heat was turned on. This happened just before Sunday Service and everyone was evacuated from the building. A committee will be created to look at our safety protocols and update them where needed. Board members had positive feedback about Sunday guest speaker Rev. Lauren Barrett Bennett. Some were disappointed that Rev. Lauren's class did not occur due to low registration. It was suggested that we contact Rev Lauren about holding a class on zoom.
- **Treasurer** - Sandra - Among all the positive things going on at Unity of Greater Hartford Sandra reported that our income is \$9,085.36 less than the same time last year. That is -4.55%
- **Finance** - Bookstore: Lending Library. A motion was made and seconded, to keep the same name for the Lending Library, Seeds of Spirit. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion was made and seconded that the Lending Library will open on, or before, Dec. 5. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made and seconded to adopt the procedures recommended by the finance committee for collecting and counting the donations. Motion passed unanimously.

### New Business

- **Nominating Committee** – A Board Liaison is needed. Christine Kiely has agreed to be the Board Liaison.
- Review of Minister and Board Performance - Our meeting will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 17th

from 5:30-7:30 on zoom and with Rev. Christine.

- **Board Goals** - ideas so far include the words prayer, connection and faith.
- **Pray Out** - Christine

Submitted by Sue Smallidge, Secretary

### **Important Dates**

Membership Class - Lesson in Truth, Nov.6, 13, 20

Minister and Board Review - Wednesday, Nov. 17th at 5:30 on zoom

Nov. Board meeting: Thursday, Nov. 18th 6:30-8:30