

**Unity of Greater Hartford**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**  
**April 21, 2022 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

**Attending:** Sandra Dickerson, Sue Smallidge, Christine Kiely, Wendy Billings, Rob Morehouse, Deborah Giddings and Rev. Christine Boylan and guest, Kathleen Kerswig

Pray in - 6:30, Rev. Christine  
MasterMind prayer -President, Sandra Dickerson

### **Old Business**

- **March Board Meeting Minutes** - Sue - were approved via email.
- **Future Events Calendar** - Wendy
- **Visualization Committee Report** - Christine, Sue & Wendy - Next meeting is Tuesday April 25th. At last meeting we had a discussion on whether sharing our financials in the newsletter is positive toward our prosperity thinking. Board Member's discussion included the fact that we are being transparent and that there has to be a sense of reality. A suggestion was made to ask people how they feel as owners of the church if we find ourselves in a discussion on financials.
- **Board Goal Discussion** - How did each of us invite people in? We all shared ways in which we fulfilled this goal.

### **Reports**

**Minister** - Report was shared, Spring clean-up of the church building will take place on Thursday, April 28th and Friday, April 29th. Rev. C and Sandra recently met with members of Unity in the Foothills. Rev. Carolyn Swift-Jones is leaving as their minister. Spirit Camp will take place in October this year. Starting in May, Wednesday Meditation will be held in person at the church. When Rev. Christine and Kathleen will be at the Unity Conference, June 12th, the Board of Trustees could facilitate the service if every Board person was in agreement. Please let Sandra know by May 12th whether you would like to participate.

**Treasurer** - Deborah - We reiterated our decision of last month to pay the furnace bill from funds that we have in the checking account. Motion was made, seconded and passed to have the funds come out of our checking account.

**Finance** - Deborah - FC was appreciative of the quick approval of the committee job description. ~~Utilities are at 52% of our budget. Water expenses are rising.~~ The committee will be gathering info on our utility bills looking for ways to reduce them. A 5-year financial plan is a top item for the committee. Sandra would like us to think of who might be a new FC member. Please speak to Sandra if you have a suggestion.

### **New Business**

- **Discussion of Sundays when Rev. Christine is at Convention and Sabbatical**  
Please let Rev. Christine know which dates during her time on Sabbatical, Aug. 23 - Sept 19th, when you can be a solid participant in the Sunday services or a contact person during the week.
- **Five Principles Class** - Please let Rev. C know, by May 1st, if you would like to participate. It is a joint responsibility of the Board and the minister.
- **Peace Flags** - Sue Ideas met favorable response. Sue will look at options on line and send pictures of possibilities.
- **Board Training** - July 16th or 23rd. Get back to Sandra on whether or to one of these

dates work for you.

## **Pray Out - Sandra**

**Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 19th - 6:30pm - 8:30pm**

Happily submitted by Sue Smallidge, Secretary, Board of Trustees

### **Books mentioned at the meeting.**

- The Trance of Scarcity - ~~new Unity book~~ might be used for a class in the Fall. (7 weeks)
- How to be the Wick in God's Candles. Jim Rosemergy.
  
- **Dates when Board Members need to get back to Rev. C or Sandra.**
- ASAP - Let Sandra know if you have any recommendations for Finance Committee members.
- ASAP - Let Sandra know if the date July 16th or July 23 will work for you for Board Training.
- By May 1, 2022 - Let Rev. C know which date or dates you can help with Membership Class /Board Participation, May 15, 22, 29 -
- By May 12, 2022 - Let Sandra know if you would like to participate in the Board-led Service on June 12th
- By May 12, 2022 - Let Sandra and Rev. Christine know what Sundays during her Sabbatical you can be a solid participant in service and/or a help during the week. Rev. C will be on sabbatical Aug 24 through Sept 19