

## **Board Meeting Minutes August 17, 2022**

**Attending:** Louana Turner –President, River Hansen – Vice President, Steve Smith – Treasurer & Property Management Liaison, James Harry – Secretary, Rev. Elizabeth Longo – Transitional Minister (zoom)

**Acknowledgement of Staff and Guests Present:** Vern Verjoba, Don Turner

**Meeting Opening:** 6:05 p.m.

**Opening Prayer:** Rev. Elizabeth Longo

**Approval of July Minutes:** Moved and seconded July Minutes approved. All voted “Aye” and motion passed unanimously.

### **Votes Between Meetings:**

**Move that Stephanie Moon, artist, independent contractor (non-Unity member) be paid \$100 to do the cover artwork for Unity Spiritual Center in the Rockies Centennial History Book. Louana proposed motion, Steve seconded and all voted Aye.**

**Open Time for Comments from Members:** Vern – update on our minister search status including what we've done in past to screen candidates including such things as the rating scale interpretation.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

7/31/2022 – Income 10,451  
Expense 14,366  
Net Income: -3,915  
7/31/22 Operating Account - \$26,036  
7/31/22 – Reserve Account - \$73,241  
July Bingo Deposit - \$0  
8/2/22 – Bingo Deposit \$4,500

### **Minister's Report:**

- Prosperity discussion meant to bring additional funding
- Need to increase donations from the congregation
- Need to come up with additional ideas
- Need to raise awareness with congregation to increase what is being donated as we are a tithing community (tithing as 10% of expected income). Board will discuss this during next town hall meeting September 18<sup>th</sup>
- Increase prosperity consciousness among the congregation
- Need capital campaign to raise additional funding for new minister. Initial ideas included selling inscribed bricks for installation at the Spiritual Center
- Training: How to Pray without Talking to God (Unity-based book)
- Rev. Longo will hold a workshop on Prosperity- to be scheduled at a later date

### **Team/Committee Reports:**

**History Team Report:** None at this time. It will be scheduled for a later date to take place on Zoom

**Centennial Planning Team** – River/Vern – 100 Year Celebration handout

### **Old Business**

Thank you's completed: Peg – donation for tree, Susan Anderson (donation to Centennial celebration fund), James - monetary + did the Wi-Fi & security camera work, Don Zoom only Sunday service without A/V + wrote procedure, Connie – Sunday service procedure, Yo'Lauder - Great job of filling in for Kayla.

Box in Minister's Office – inventory & thumb drive pending examination

### **New Business**

- Discuss interview questions for 3 Minister candidates – See Handouts
- Schedule Board interviews for Christina Ahlen & John Beerman
- \$\$ Analysis Jan–Jun 2022
- CD – First Bank paying .05%. Possible alternative: Inflation protected bond. Still researching.
- Steve - Status of sprinkler repair
- Don – Update on research into high utilities cost (*it's water*) and plan of action.
- Landscaping idea to save \$: Eliminate most grass and do xeriscaping.
- New signature card at Bank – Lou update
- Counting/Check signing procedure – handout
- Town Hall meeting plan
  - **Date: 9/18/22**
  - Financial update
  - Tithing church -- Educate people
  - **Mission Focused – new paradigm for Unity in the Rockies – see handout**
  - Minister candidate update
  - Centennial Celebration update

**Next Meeting Date:** September 21, 2022, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Closing Prayer:** Rev. Elizabeth Longo

**Adjourned:** 7:34 p.m.