FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH Board of Trustees August 26, 2015 Minutes

Board		Present	Absent
Chair	Carlos Hoyt	Х	
Past Chair	John McCrystal	Х	
Vice-Chair	Ginnie Vogts	Х	
Treasurer	Debra Boyd	Х	
Secretary	Kitty Durham Jones	X	
	James Brown	Х	
	Karen Dawson		Х
	Fujio Hayashi	X	
	Marge Lynd	X	
	Nancy Nehring		Х
	Joe Pierce	Х	
Youth Rep	Emma	Х	
Youth Rep	Willow		Х
Staff			
Sr Interim Minister	Rev. Jennifer Brooks	Х	
Assoc. Minister	Rev. Eric Meter	Х	
Director of Religious Education	Lane Campbell	Х	
Administrator	Brian Hagemann	Х	
Guests	1	<u> </u>	
Wesley Thompson		Х	
Rev. Joan Van Becelaere		Х	
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1	Opening and Welcome	7:00 (10)
2	Consent Agenda: • Approval of July 22 Board Meeting Minutes (see attachment) Approved with a word change on file from "Agenda" to "Minutes"	7:10 (2)
3	GA Volunteer Request from Laura Howe (Carlos) Purpose: Update Laura is looking for • Décor Leader - someone that can work with small team to provide décor (i.e. making Chaplain and mediation rooms soft and welcoming) • Evening Entertainment - someone that coordinates evening entertainment for one or two evenings. Requires negotiating and working with both UUA GA office and entertainer on contract and staying within budget. • Home Hospitality helper to work with Eileen Watters. • Potentially a small group dinner coordinator. This year the Portland folks offered an opportunity for small group dinners where a local host picked restaurant, made arrangements, and hosted dinner. (Everyone paid their own restaurant bill - not the host.) It was truly enjoyed so it would be nice to continue. Ginnie is canvassing the chancel decoration team and some choir members. Is there any team who should take the lead on this or is it a Board responsibility? Will put this on September agenda. Looking for one person to coordinate GA efforts for the church. September 12 Leadership Day will address GA in the second half of the program.	7:12 (5)
4	Beacon House Consortium (Debra) Purpose: Decision Process: Debra presents Beacon House proposal (5 min) (see attachment) IACO, Church of the Larger Fellowship have joined the consortium Questions and discussion (10 min) Summit on 16 th is holding open houses for potential residents because the property is not in shape to do walk-throughs at present. Talked about role of consortium. North Church voted to sign the lease and has two people on the consortium. Karen Dawson would be our representative on the consortium to help explore going forward with the project.	7:17(18)

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	Renovations are being paid by the developers, etc. Liability would rest with the consortium. Concerns were raised. Question was presented about whether there would be an OSU connection. Meeting with OSU personnel. O Vote on Motion: (3 min)		
	Motion carried with one no vote; no abstentions.		
	Motion: Resolved: The Board of Trustees of the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Columbus hereby appoints Karen Dawson as First UU representative(s) to the "Beacon House Consortium," a group of representatives from 501(c) institutions (UU congregations, other faith-based organizations with similar values, and justice advocacy groups) formed to evaluate the feasibility of a proposal to create a values-based interfaith and multi-generational student residential community and residence near The Ohio State University at 1962 luka Ave. To support the Consortium's work, First UU agrees to contribute \$100 (nonrefundable). The appointment is from August 26, 2015, through October 1, 2015. On October 1 2015 the Consortium is to make a recommendation as to the proposal's feasibility and, if deemed feasible, the obligations, risks, and rights for an organization desiring to participate as a sponsoring institution		
5	Exit Interview for Rev. Mark with the Central East Regional Staff of the Unitarian Universalist Association. (Rev. Joan Van Becelaere) • Preparation: Review the exit interview questions (attached) Board meeting came to an official close. Rev Joan led the process and handled the recording of the comments. Copies will be sent to the Board, to Rev. Brooks, and to Rev. Belletini (per consensus of the group)	7:35(80)	
6	 Wrap-up Thank you cards - none noted at this time. Upcoming events: 8/28-29 - Board Retreat 9/9 (7:00) Sept. Executive Committee Meeting 9/12 (9:00 AM) District Leadership Day @ First UU 9/23 (7:00) Board Meeting 	8:55 (5)	