

Chequamegon Unitarian Universalist Fellowship  
Board of Directors' Meeting  
Mar.16, 2011

**PRESENT:**

Beth Reed  
Diana Granger  
Jan Perkins  
Andrea Haugo  
Brenda Brouder

**CHECKING IN:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by co-chair, Beth Reed. After the lighting of the chalice, the board caught up on the activities of its members, which involved family visits, outdoor winter sports, a wedding out west and the participation by many U.U. members in the demonstration against Governor Walker.

**MINUTES:**

The minutes of the Feb. 16 UU board meeting were approved as soon as a full quorum was in attendance.

**TREASURER'S REPORT and BUDGET**

Despite Warren's absence, a modified treasurer's report was presented to the board. Income continues to come in. Two deposits, one of \$450 and the other of \$500 were made in the last month. There are anticipated outlays of cash for Tee shirts for the coming of age class and payments to Brenda. We were informed by officials at Prairie Star that our dues of \$23.00 per person will remain the same for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, but that we can expect increases after that time. The treasurer's report was approved.

**ONGOING BUSINESS**

**1. Inventory**

Brenda is working on preparing an inventory of all items belonging to the fellowship. The board is asking committee chairs to aid her in this project. Some items should be discarded but Brenda would like help in making that determination. All hymnals and library books will be counted. Some members of the fellowship have asked for a list of titles and a means of checking books out.

**2.U.U. World Magazine subscription policy..**

The board distributed formal copies of the subscription policy rule, essentially saying all voting members who wished to receive the U.U. World magazine would be eligible and Brenda would turn in their names. This policy will be explained at the next general meeting. Since it is a policy not a bylaw change, the general membership does not need to vote on the issue.

**3. Communications Policy**

The Communications policy approved at the last meeting was distributed for inclusion in each board member's notebook. This too will be announced at the General meeting, April 10.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1 .Potential New Members**

Andrea reported on the activities of the Membership committee which have centered on how we educate potential new members about not only the U.U. faith but also about the workings of our own Chequamegon fellowship. Karen Crowell and Andrea led a question and answer session earlier this spring, just prior to the new member service. The membership committee has proposed hosting another informal workshop this fall. Many people who attend a service have questions about the nature of the group and it is important that there is a way their questions can be answered.

### **2 Junior Technology Assistant**

Alex Oppedahl has expressed an interest in serving as an assistant to Brenda and Scott and in working with Twitter and Facebook to set up and maintain a presence for the fellowship.

### **3. Report on Circle Suppers**

Andrea reported on how participation in the circle suppers was going. About sixteen people over each of the four winter months have come together for circle suppers. These suppers have been for adults only and the board would like to see family potlucks held which would be less structured and more welcoming to children.

### **4. Plans for The Annual Meeting**

The annual general meeting is scheduled to follow the service on April 10. The board planned the format for the meeting's agenda. Two board members will not be able to attend the meeting but the co chairs will be there to preside over the meeting. The Prairie Star annual meeting is regrettably the same time as our general meeting. The proposed agenda is as follows:

- a. Call to order. This involves a formal welcome and the lighting of the chalice.
- b. Recognition and thank yous to departing committee chairs and board members.
- c. Presentation by the two co-chairs, reviewing board accomplishments and actions.
- d. Fellowship reports including minutes, a treasurers report and committee reports.
- e. Report from the Fellowship Administrator.
- f. A brief description of policy changes with copies available.

- g. The election of new board members. The new members are welcome to attend the April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, but the May meeting will be their first official meeting. The current co-chairs will join the new board for that meeting.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chequamegon Unitarian Universalist Fellowship will take place on Wed. Mar. 16 at 7:00 in the Greenwood room of the Washburn Library. The Mar.. meeting concluded at 8:20.