

**Chequamegon Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**  
**Board of Director's Meeting**  
**July 20, 2011**

Location: MMC—Gull Island Room

**Present:** Patty Dufek, Diana Granger, Andrea Haugo, Warren Kehn, Jan Perkins and Erin Tenney

**The meeting was called to order** by Diana at 7:02 pm. Board members shared their updates for checking-in. Diana and Erin both indicated interest in CUUF supporting more of our RE kids to attend UU Camp as well as weekend conferences for teenagers. The June minutes were read aloud and amended; and approved as amended.

**Treasurer's Report:** Warren reported that the report is essentially the same as the June report except for about \$00.30 in interest from the savings account; and about \$38 in interest from CD's. Much of the remainder of this meeting consisted of a line-by-line discussion of the projected 2011-12 CUUF budget. The BOD decided it would be desirable to develop a rough draft of the year's budget by Sept 2011.

**Fellowship Administration:** (i.e. Brenda Brouder) per her email of 7/7/11, Andrea suggested the BOD set her hours at 20 per month. This would mean \$3,000 per year in wages, including \$350 for software and \$150 for supplies.

**Communications:** 1) Newsletter: general discussion; 2) Publicity: it was reported that June B estimates about \$100 for ink and paper; she may now be able to submit receipts for the work she does.

**Internet:** It was reported that Scott B lists his current monthly expenditure for this as \$13, which he seems to indicate will perhaps be able to be eliminated. More clarification is needed on this expense.

**UUA/PSD:** Warren reported that he did return the form Estimate of Giving for the fiscal year July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012. This is in support of UUA's mission, programs and services. CUUF has 34 certified members, so our financial commitment for 2012 is \$2120.00, which was paid in full. He also recommends we continue to pay \$800 to the PSD, as we did last year.

**Donation to Northland College:** (it was re-emphasized to all present that this is NOT rent!): \$1,000 per fiscal year for the space in the Ponzio Center to continue. This current space appears to be working well in many ways, but there was discussion regarding other options in case it became necessary to change where we meet.

**Worship:** the full amount allocated for the 2010-2011 budget year was not utilized, and there was a discussion regarding whether to continue that amount, or whether the excess could be utilized better in another area. It was agreed for David Saetre to continue at the same rate of \$1,600 for the 9 months. Music for the 2010-11 was budgeted for \$1150

which included \$55 per service for Joni C, Musical Director; and \$55 per service each time for other musicians. There was a discussion regarding compensation for Joni C. as well as outside musicians (e.g. sometimes a guest speaker is also a musician, and incorporates music into her/his service.) 3) Andrea recently spoke to Ruth Oppedahl concerning a request for a new microphone for speakers v.s. a wireless microphone. It was noted that each microphone has a purpose: the standard microphone is important for the congregation (e.g. Joys and Concerns); the wireless is more practical for a speaker. Andrea agreed to send on Ruth's email regarding this, and Jan will share this with the Worship Committee for feedback.

**Religious Education:** general discussion of issues including: 1) ways for the BOD and Fellowship to convey to the RE Leaders how we value their commitment to what they do for our RE kids. Various manners of achieving this were discussed, e.g. honorariums; deducting the time they spend from their pledges. Jan offered to contact Megan Perrine to see if she knows whether other fellowships provide RE leaders with monetary compensation. The RE leaders will be meeting in August prior to the next CUUF BOD meeting, so this line item remains under discussion.

**Hospitality:** there was a discussion regarding the food offered following our services. It was agreed that it is important to provide this because 1) it is a nice reason to stay around and visit with other members for fellowship; 2) it's close to lunch hour, and some people really need to eat something by then, including the children. When our services start up again in September we will remind the congregation that the Comment Box is always available for feedback.

**Caring Committee:** Diana reported that Jackie L. felt that \$100 would be a reasonable amount, instead of \$200.

**Childcare:** the \$100 allocated was not utilized this past year, and, in fact, childcare wasn't requested much. There was a discussion regarding the qualifications of child care providers, including liability. This will be discussed further at the RE leaders meeting in August, and at the next BOD meeting.

**Lending Library:** Warren reported that last year \$200 was budgeted, and \$18 was spent. There was discussion regarding decreasing this amount, and Warren offered to check with Karla for her opinion.

There was an idea brought up several times concerning developing a new form entitled something like "Statement of Understanding" that could be utilized for CUUF members and contract persons to clarify our agreements. Jan will work on a draft.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 7 p.m.; the group felt like this new setting was quite acceptable, so Jan will look into reserving the Gull Island room again.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.