Chequamegon Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Board of Director's Meeting October 19, 2011

Location: MMC—Sand Island Room

Present: Andrea Haugo, Diana Granger, Warren Kehn, Jan Perkins, Ed Calhan, Patty Dufek; also present: Brenda Brouder and Music Committee member Linda Borglum Calhan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Andrea with a reading, chalice lighting, and followed by "checking in" by those present. Andrea was brought up to date on missed meetings, and the BOD meeting minutes of September 21, 2011 were unanimously approved. There followed a discussed regarding the formation of a CUUF Social Action Committee, and the consensus so far is to continue to keep these issues in a subcommittee, rather than requiring the membership to be brought in to decisions. This will continue to be discussed at future BOD meetings.

Treasurer's Report: Warren reported that he will send checks to UUA, PSD and David Saetre. He distributed the current report for review. This report was unanimously approved.

Budget:

Music: Patty reported that she had collected information from area churches regarding how they pay staff for music services, and which services were provided by volunteers. The CUUF Music committee requested a total of \$1,525 for the current fiscal year. Andrea read an email from Meghan Perrine regarding this, and Linda was present representing that committee. There was general discussion regarding this line item, and Andrea made a motion to increase the total music budget to a minimum of \$1450. This was approved unanimously. There was further discussion, and Ed made the motion to raise the music budget to \$1525, with \$475 of that for the Music Coordinator position, and \$65 each time for musical accompaniment. This was passed with Diana "I can live with this," others thumbs up. Andrea requested Ed to report this information to the Music Committee: 1) the BOD has approved the requested amount, with the caveat that this can't necessarily be increased by \$75 every year; 2) a request that the committee further develop the concept of a Music Coordinator position; and 3) for the BOD and Committees all to start working on the budget process earlier for the 2012-13 fiscal year.

Worship: there was a general discussion regarding the Misc. part of this committee's budget, particularly regarding hymnals. Our fellowship owns 56 copies, and several ideas were proposed for increasing this number, including encouraging members to purchase their own copies to bring to services; and conducting a hymnal fundraiser. It was also agreed it would be helpful to put out a call to members of the congregation to return hymnals that may have been borrowed. Patty made the motion to leave the Misc. amount the same at \$375; Ed and Andrea voted "I can live with it," and the rest voted thumbs up; so it passed.

Membership: (refer to Andrea's email dated 10/13/11) In discussion it was suggested to retain the \$200 for "CUUF brochure" for now, but to later maybe move this to another committee if needed. Warren made a motion to increase this committee's budget to \$495, and it passed unanimously.

Administrator: Brenda requested an additional \$150 to be added for a new printer/copier/scanner to go with the computer. There was discussion and she said she will research this more and bring in that information.

Other reports:

Ashland Area Ministerial Association: Jan shared the information from David Saetre regarding this group, which meets the second Thursday of each month. She will continue to look into this for the Board.

BRICK: Jan checked this organization's website and shared some information. (She then excused herself from the meeting and left.) Andrea will communicate with the Worship Committee regarding adopting the BRICK as a non-covenant cause.

Service Greeters: the Membership Committee has requested that a CUUF BOD member serve as a Greeter each service. If this were done, each BOD member would have 3-4 services per year.

CUUF Website: Brenda reported that this is still under construction, and will include new Podcasts.

Tax Exempt # for CUUF: we now have one, and Warren and Brenda have that; please contact them for utilizing it for purchases.

Social Action Committee: an ongoing discussion continued re: forming one for our fellowship; and will again be on the agenda for November's meeting.

Budget Approval: Warren made a motion to set the CUUF annual budget for 2011-12 at \$17, 996.00. This was passed unanimously.

There was a closing reading by Andrea, the chalice was extinguished and the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Perkins, Secretary with the help of Patty Dufek