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September 14, 2017 **Tapestry Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**

The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Attendees: Julia Rampone, Kara Corbin-Lickfett, Connie Pursell, Jon Eckhardt, Eddie Moler, Carol Semelroth, Dave

Weber, and Rev. Kent Doss **Absent:** James Thompson

Guest(s): Bev Huff and Richard Boote

Julia Rampone provided opening words

Agenda and Approval of Minutes

- 1. Minutes of the August 10, 2017 Board meetings were approved as amended- M/S/P
- 2. The agenda was approved as submitted- M/S/P

Consent agenda: n/a

FOCD Update: Bev Huff updated the Board on the growing program of helping detainees when they are released from ICE. When FOCD was just doing visits, Penny Kinnear had volunteers sign a liability waiver and insurance was covered through worker's comp. Now, there are members helping to transition detainees after release. Church Mutual (Insurance Company holding Tapestry's Policy) provided a notice that required Board Approval of the following resolution: "California Labor Code Section 3363.6(a) for private, nonprofit organizations states that the board of directors of the organization must declare in writing and prior to injury that a person who performs voluntary service without pay be deemed an employee of the organization while performing such service. Motion to approve the following resolution: "Volunteers are covered by the provisions of Section 3363.6(a) of the California Labor Code - M/S/P; JE abstained

Business Themes:

Finance:

Report of the VP Finance: Eddie started moving congregants from Vanco and PayPal to the Breeze software. He is trying cancel the Vanco payments but he needs more financial information from congregants to complete the migration. If he finds the information that he needs, members will not have to do anything. He has started using the "Forms" function which let you create a webpage that will allow you to register people, make payments, surveys, etc. This was successful for the service auction payments.

Report of the Treasurer:

Pledges were \$9700 for August and Year-to-date is currently overbudget from pledges that were prepaid in July. Expenses for August were underbudget by \$1200 with no unexpected expenses this month.

Dave reported that the conversion to Quickbooks accounting software is still ongoing but getting easier.

Office Report: Kathy reported the rental income for August was \$1627. Kathy continues to organize payments for Camp DeBenneville retreat and Fall Auction registration, help with forms for the investment group and aid FOCD in tracking expenses.

Space:

Comprehensive planning committee:

Minister: Reverend Kent Doss RECY Director: Katelynn Riva Office Administrator: Kathy Vo Minister Emeritus: Reverend Robert Jordan Ross

President: Julia Rampone VP Finance: Eddie Moler VP Operations: Carol Semelroth

Treasurer: Dave Weber Secretary: Kara Lickfett Trustees: Jon Eckhardt, James Thompson and Connie Pursell

Alternative Space: Richard Boote provided an update on the ideas for finding an alternative short-term place for holding worship services. The Board approved to pursue an agreement with St Georges Episcopal Church in Laguna Hills for up to \$250/week for 4-month term and then month to month after - M/S/P

The MEP proposal was approved and Lynn has communicated to Stephane about getting them into the building to get actual quotes on the building.

We asked the Spirit Grant foundation for \$565,000. Julia sent in the proposal and she talked with a Spirit Grant Board member.

Report of the Minister:

Topics in the report were covered in other discussions.

Report of VP Operations:

Coordinating council is September 17th.

November 12th is "Clean Air Day" and they will be asking the congregation to use clean fuel alternatives for that day. Women's action group has recently cooked food at Isaiah House (FOCD takes women detainees there) and they are going to be involved in the Susan Komen race for the cure. 65 people came to the Planned Parenthood fundraiser and it was successful.

Other Business:

<u>District Board Retreat:</u> September 16th from 10-4pm here at Tapestry.

UUFLB Streaming: The current goal is to stream only the sermon and not the other parts of the service. Another technical rehearsal is scheduled to try and sync the audio and visual.

Benefits policy – Policy was approved as amended (Typo changed from 50% to 80%) for employees – M/S/P

Nominating Committee:

Building and Grounds: Richard Boote, Laura Lunn and Bill Medina - M/S/P

Thank you: Kathy Spahn – hosting and cooking BBQ fundraiser

Closing Words: Julie Rampone Meeting adjourned at 8:47pm

Next Board Meetings

March 8th, 2018

September 16th, 2017 – Joint Board Retreat October 12th, 2017 November 9th, 2017 December 14th, 2017 January 11, 2018 February 8th, 2018 April 12th, 2018 May 10th, 2017 June 14th, 2018 Congregational Meeting TBD

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm