## Agenda Board of Trustees Meeting, Friends of Unity Monday, July 22, 2024 in Zoom 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Vision:

Transforming Lives Through Divine Love Mission:

Together, We: Nurture Spiritual Awakening, Cultivate Loving Community, Serve Generously.

Collective Intention for Our 14th Year:

We are Practicing Collective Flourishing.

## Attendees:

Minister	Rev. Linda Dominik	Х	Keeper of the Flame	Michelle Hayes	
President	Nancy Langeneckert	Х	Secretary	John Boulahanis	
Vice President	Norma Simons	Х	Guest	Gail Parker	Х
Treasurer	John Fanta	Х			

Call to Order – Nancy at 5:03 p.m.

Opening prayer: Rev. Linda

1. Minister's Report – Temporary resolution for car.

## 2. Old Business

- a. Board Transition updates to Community (do monthly); plan for August – Divine order: Releasing our emotional attachment to previous minister and have a Mentor Minister. Report at a Sunday Service and in newsletter—we are carrying on the stability of process and product for spiritual needs and comfort in doing the same things and going forth.
  - i. When forming a search committee in the future, recommend it will include community representatives.
- b. Annual membership renewal notice –23 received. Offer an electronic option to capture reaffirmation and a personal contact with message that we value your participation. Church Administrator can follow up at her discretion.

- c. Who will meet with Gail and Nancy about Gail's future with FoU? Plan for replacement after one year; prefer to complete working for FOU in two years or less. Succession Planning meeting August 4th with Nancy, Rev. Linda, and Gail.
  - Discussion about scheduling upcoming guest speakers (not potential minister candidates). Considering increasing Rev. Linda Sunday speaking opportunities.
- d. Plan for Invitation to Annual Meeting letter (not a giving request). Less emphasis on the Anniversary Celebration.
- e. Intentional Giving: Discretionary tithe of \$218 to Growth Works, Plymouth
  - i. Does the board want to invite the congregation to give ideas for the monthly discretionary tithe? Implement by inviting ideas for one month. Suggestions utilized for the whole year. In alignment with the vision: transforming lives through Divine Love. Revisit this idea. Make a plan for implementation: who to announce? How to receive ideas? Criteria? Tabled this discussion
- 2. New Business:
  - a. Discussion about New Member Instruction and Refresh Principles Class in the auditorium. Policy for three classes-Unity principles and history followed by application. Promote.
     Strengthens continuity/going forward. Gail to review content and scheduling with Rev. Linda.
  - b. Fall Intentional Living Series. Ask for Divine guidance and ideas.
- 3. Financial Report submitted by John F. Attendance and income increased for the month. No concern for year to date. Report accepted.
- 4. Administrator's Report / Annual Planning Calendar Submitted and accepted.
- 5. Looking ahead:
  - a. May need to fill Board position at the Annual Meeting. Three Board Members required for a quorum. Please let us know soon

if you think you will no longer be able to serve on the Board after the October 13th Annual Meeting. No terms expire this October. Ideally, the Nominating Team (Mickey, Jane, and Michele) begins their search in August.

- b. October Board Meeting tentatively 10/20. To be determined by email.
- c. How to thank our volunteers & when to have Volunteer Appreciation Sunday-Tabled.
- 6. Review and Approve Minutes. Tabled

Meeting ended at 6:20 p.m.

Board Training: The Board checked off all items under "Practices of the Board" on the Board of Trustees checklist.

Closing prayer: Rev. Linda

**Board Meeting Calendar** 

7. July 22
8. August 26
9.. September 30 Sunday, Oct. 13 – Annual Meeting
10. October 27 Sunday in- person Board Meeting
11. November 25
12. December 16