

Unity of Stuart

Board of Directors Minutes

December 20, 2016 @ 6:30pm

Present: Bruce Alfee, Roberta Scott, Diana Hess, MaryClaire Anderson, Linda Green, Charlie Drewes, Ron Hix Rev Jude

Meeting Called to Order @ 6:35.

Opening Prayer

Mission/Vision

Everyone

Our **mission** is to transform lives through love, prayer and service.

Our **vision:** Centered in Spirit, we celebrate a world of love, peace and joy.

Check-In

Everyone

Why are you here?

Consent Agenda

December

24- Christmas Eve Service

25 - Pajama Sunday - Children will be welcome in the service. There will be no kid's program. (coloring pages will be available.)

31 - Burning Bowl

January

5 - Absolute Abundance

8- Christ in You Mirror 12:30

22 - 12 powers movie 12:30

Approval of Minutes, Consent Agenda and Agenda

Motion made to accept November Minutes, Consent Agenda and Agenda by Linda. Seconded by Mary Claire

Treasurer's Report

Board

Treasurer

Affirmation

In a universe overflowing with the Allness of God, all of the needs of Unity of Stuart and those we serve are instantly, constantly and bountifully met. From every direction, known and unknown, expected and unexpected, our abundant good comes to us now.

Cash Balances as of December 20, 2016

Checking Seacoast	2,046.40
First Data Checking	1,336.71
Petty Cash	66.22
Savings Seacoast	770.70
Stock – Edward Jones	4,745.50
TOTAL	8,965.53

Motion made to approve the Financial Report by Diana
Seconded by Bruce

President's Report

Board President

Minister's Report

Minister

Programs

No kids program on Christmas

January through March - Absolute Abundance

January 22 - 12:30 - Twelve Powers movie

Teddy Bear March - Linda will give Jude some contact names

Feb 5 - New Member Q&A (will schedule class based on input from this)
February 26 - Annual Meeting

Staff

Natalie's hours are shifting- 10-3 Tuesday through Friday and 9-1 Sundays (24 total hours) beginning January 1.

Peggy Bennett will no longer be working on Sundays

Marysa will be in the nursery on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. For age 5 and under

Christmas bonuses: \$50 each to the Ortiz, Laura, Natalie, Albert
And \$25 for Amber.

Service Ministry

January 15 - noon Leadership Council meeting. (entire board is welcome)
January potluck will be the second Sunday in January (January 8)

Youth and Family Ministry

Prayer

Unity of Stuart's Youth and Family Ministry is a vibrant, passionate and compassionate program drawing to us the perfect YFM director, children and families, resources and inspiration to foster the awakening of God's plan of good for the children of the world. Thank you God for the divine order in which we live and move and have our being. And do it is. Amen.

Hi Board,

The youth class had gone through a 4-week advent lesson where we learned about the arrival of Jesus the Christ and prepared our "inner stable" and learned about hearing and following messages from God, and sharing our message of joy with the world. It's been an excellent series leading to a lot of spiritual discussion. The kids really enjoyed the weekly lighting of the advent

wreath in the classroom too.

Sophia, Sam, and Zoey read their Advent messages before the congregation. Zoey's grandparents were in from Holland and we timed her week to coincide with their visit. I asked Jude to assign the fourth week's reading as our other youth were feeling too shy to get up there. :)

Yesterday we were visited by Santa and his jolly elf. Big thanks to Bobby and Stephanie for spreading Christmas cheer. I know some of our youth had some pretty tricky questions for our visitors from the North Pole.

A big Thank You to Roberta and Marie for helping with the craft night earlier this month. We had 12 or so kids and 3 adults (not including helpers) participate in the craft night. It was cool to see so much creativity in action.

After taking Christmas day off, we'll start lessons on the 12 Powers. Looking forward to an abundant and joyful 2017!

Thank you to Rev. Jude and the Board for supporting the YFM program and the amazing youth who make it what it is.

Merry Christmas!

Team Reports -

Facilities – solar light purchased for front sign

Service Ministry – Leadership council on January 15

Finance Team – Roberta

Spring Forth – Linda

Possibility of a special Coffee House in February on a Saturday night to support Spring Forth - Silent Auction. David Crandall, Doreen Poreba, Don Rowell, Suzanne Ellis showing interest.

Also discussing a circulation day before the coffeehouse

Hospitality - Jude - Delaney has taken on calling/reminding those who sign up for hospitality

Old Business

Canopy replacement: in process - waiting on Cheryl and Mike and grommet information.

Policy regarding paying bills online

Nominating Team - 2017 Annual Meeting

Motion to bring board back to odd number by not fulfilling one open spot. Roberta made motion; Diana seconded. Passed unanimously

Volunteer Appreciation March 31

2017 Budget - given to board in November for feedback/Vote Dec meeting.

Roberta recommended that we have a plan of what to cut if we go below the 30% toward mortgage reduction from Spring Forth.

The finance team is working on this for the January Finance Team meeting. The board agrees and will examine the budget as well.

Rev Jude moved that the budget be approved as presented. Diana seconded. Passed unanimously

Tithes. What do we do about the tithes we owe, which amounts to about 5K? If we have the means financially, we'll discuss this with the Finance Committee. Motion was made to forego paying the tithe we owe until such a time that we have the means to pay it, and meanwhile, we will be paying weekly.

Motion was made by Diana. Seconded by Charlie. Passed unanimously

New Business

Just Talking

Board reached a consensus that if/when we are gifted with a large lump sum of money, we would act within the wishes of the donor as to where to allocate that money.

Summary and Action / Accountability List

Task	Person	Due
December BOD Collection Schedule	4 Roberta 11 MC 18 Linda 24 MC 25 Ron 31 D	
January BOD Collection Schedule	1 Roberta 8 MC 15 Linda 22 Ron 29 D	
Volunteer Appreciation	All	March 31, 2017
Board & Partner Dinner	All	January 27, 2017 @ 6:30pm
2017 Annual Meeting	All	Feb 26, 2017
Martha Creek Friday March 3 - Board and Lay leaders training - will invite Fort Pierce; Saturday March 4 - Open Workshop 10-1 Sunday March 5 - Sunday Lesson - Open Workshop - 12:30-2:30	All	March 3-5

BOD Training. (Toni Boehm offered by the Sub region)	All (REQUIRED)	March 18
Phone System	Bruce and D	End of October

For the Good of the Order

Next regular board meeting - January 17 @ 6:30pm ET

Adjourned at 9:00 pm

Motion by

Second by

Closing Prayer and Blessing of Tithes