August 7, 2014

Allegheny Unitarian Universalist Church Meeting of the Board of Trustees

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at Unitarian House on July 8 with the following trustees present: Liz Dell, President; David McFarland, Minister; Jane Schwarz, Clerk, Mark Tomlinson, Greg Blackman

I Gathering

Ms. Dell called the meeting to order at about 7:00 PM and Rev. McFarland shared words for the chalice lighting. There was no quorum at the call to order, so official business was not completed.

II Administration

1. Financial Report: John was not available to present the report, but written report was provided. Will discuss in more detail on August 23.
3. Clerk’s report: Membership stands at 77.
4. Consider adding denominational affairs to the assent agenda.

III Business

1. **Endowment committee**: The endowment committee has a short list of people to invite to join.
2. **Board Vacancy**: Discussed a list of possible people to fill the vacancy.
3. **Vice presidency**: Greg Blackman has been nominated to fill the position of vice president.
4. **Shared plate**: Discussed asking somebody to take on the task of overseeing shared plate.
5. **Cluster by-laws**: Congregations have been asked to provide feedback. Discussed member representation, as well as financial commitment.
6. **Minister compensation**: Will discuss further on August 23. Ms. Dell will have a resolution drawn up.
7. **Board retreat**: Discussed possible agenda and logistics. Retreat will be at Northside Common Ministries. Agenda will be finalized over the next couple of weeks, and be sent out by Ms. Dell so people can decide what part they want to lead.
8. **First Church partnership**: Need to continue to address. May discuss at board retreat.
9. **Communication**: We will continue to explore ways to improve our communication. The possibility of a social media, or “communication 101” workshop.

IV Adjournment

Ms. Dell adjourned the meeting of the Board of Trustees.
The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be August 23 at 9:00 AM.