

## Tahoma Unitarian Universalist Congregation

### Board of Trustees Meeting October 15 2020 7- 9 pm

This meeting was held via Zoom due to Covid-19 restrictions

Present- Rev. Linda Hart, Ministerial Intern Erien Babcock, Sylvia Huerta, TUUC Administrator Libby Ball, Debbie Cafazzo, Christine Chansley (VP), Cindy Hackett (President), Sheila Whybrow (note taker) Michelle Fox

Unable to attend: Jeff Rutherford (Treasurer) , Holly Coryell  
Visitors - Thomas Oliver, Alana Franklin, Jim Tuttle

**Opening Words/ Chalice lighting** Rev. Linda Hart

**Check-in:** BOT reported- What sparked your curiosity this week?

**Consent agenda** Approval of 10.15.2020 meeting minutes,

**Staff reports** verbal

Linda will invite Joe Rettenmaier to the pulpit in January. Erien reiterated the end date of her internship on Nov 30th

Treasurer's report (emailed)- adjustments have been made to line items - youth director as previously approved, adjusted Adult RE director lines (last and current year) to indicated swapped to Ministerial intern line. Entries created to properly track and report PPP funds. Currently pledge receipts are at 19% of budgeted pledges

#### **New Business**

HR Linda will have an HR report for next month

Stewardship - Alana explained we will be asking for financial contribution not a pledge to sustain TUUC

- reviewed who will do videos and how/when will they be broadcast-
- reviewed talking points and tips as well as a packet of materials for written appeal. Each board member will include phone # and email for possible questions. We can use board email: board@tahommauu.com
- Board members will track responses with Libby's help, and contact those who have not responded.
- Libby will mail out year- to- date contributions as well as last years. Info to members prior to mailing.

#### Fencing Updates

- Clarification that fence quotes are for alcove areas around entry doors
- Libby still waiting on one fence quote and rejected one quote as not up to her standards
- Libby requested architectural contacts to investigate alternative to fencing alcoves

**Motion** to rescind previous motion to call Congregational Meeting in October -  
Motion passed

#### Safe Parking

Thomas Oliver -social justice committee

- Identified factors-
  - ❖ Education: Presentation to BOT and perhaps SJC, then congregation if BOT decides to move forward.
  - ❖ Addresses staff and facility needs logistically and safety wise
  - ❖ Intersection of safety needs & protection of facility with the inherent dignity & worth of all human beings

- Two pronged approach
  - ❖ Address physical space- ie. landscape work parties -pressure on transit to reinstall trash can
  - ❖ Address needs of people and sometimes inappropriate use of property
- Research shows misuse of property is alleviated by allowing cars to park overnight with appropriate behavior requirements and management
  - ❖ Unhomed in cars take some ownership
  - ❖ There are fiscal resources to help
  - ❖ Minimum requirements for safe parking program - handwash station , port a potty, trash receptacles (*port-a-potty rental from United Rentals -\$400 monthly w/ weekly cleaning. Includes hand sanitizer but no hand washing station.*)

Thomas shared photos of fenced alcoves at Tacoma Public Library branch on 56th St.

**CUUPS Fundraiser** - Thomas Oliver

Described Pagan cookbook sale fundraiser -board request for written proposal - to be addressed at next meeting

**Visitor Guidelines** - Due to time constraints the Board will vote by mail

**Sabbatical update** - Linda looking at possible start in Feb

**Visitor comment** - Jim Tuttle - Spoke about the need for transparency of all church documents, noting how that would benefit his church history project. Suggested congregational access to BOT google drive.

**Chalice extinguished**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:04pm**