

Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Church

Monthly Board Meeting –5/9/2015

Minutes Submitted by Larry Loomis-Price, President

Location: Northwoods Unitarian Universalist Church

Attended:	Larry Loomis-Price – President	Shari Wood-Merriam – Past President
	Ann McAlpin – President Elect	Rud Merriam – Treasurer
	Bob Long – Parliamentarian	Michele Buselli – Trustee At Large
	John DeCaire – Trustee At Large	Kathryn Donohue – Secretary

Call To Order 9:30 am

Vote to accept minutes of April, 2015, as amended. Motion passes.

Vote to approve financial statement from April, 2013. Motion passes.

Finance and budget report; presented by Rud Merriam

2015-2106 Budget Process

Discussion of the draft budget, presented by Rud.

Main questions:

What is the best estimate for pledges to come in? It will be lower than anticipated for 2014-2015 (around \$210,000) but higher than the amount already pledged, as those who haven't pledged yet have not been contacted. Arrived at a best estimate of \$200,000.

Similar discussion for service auction income. 2014 was \$26,000. Note that expenses were not budgeted for this and other income-generating events. Rectified in budget.

How does elimination of DFD position affect budget? It leaves a surplus on the order of \$9000. How is that best spent? Arrived at the decision to make a gift to the UUA (\$3000, much less than fair share, but better than the amount budgeted for in previous year) and fund all ministry requests at the lowest level.

Motion to restore "Share the Plate" to the budget, even though it will potentially reduce the cash plate collections. Passed.

Allowed for some slippage in the budget in capital expenses and rebuilding capital items. Those will be funded as funds are available only.

Motion to pass the budget recommendation to the congregation, as amended. Passed.

Old business:

No other business was conducted.

Executive Session: **None**

New business:

No other business was conducted.

Adjourn **TIME** 2:48 CDT.