

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Petoskey
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Minutes of board meeting Sept.10, 2008

Present: Tom Beukema, Kim Nowack, Mary Johnson, Norm Mottl

- a. **July Minutes** – The minutes were e-mailed to the board for review and comment. There was no board meeting in August.
- b. **Presidents Report** – Tom would like to continue to prompt participation from the membership. We still have a vacancy for the vice presidents position.
- c. **Treasurers Report** – An interest bearing checking account was opened with Bay Winds, plus a Super Saver account. Mary reports that the big bills are all paid for the year, including insurance, summer taxes, and library rental. The money from the Mustards Retreat event (\$375) was sent to the Knoxville Relief Fund. Our congregation was invited to an event sponsored by the Emmet County Outreach Pool. This is the organization that received our Christmas donation money last year. The event is Sept 22, 2008 at 10 am and Mary has more information. The balances are as follows:

- i. \$7328.34 Super saver
- ii. \$7225.56 First Community Bank account for non-profits (interest bearing)
- iii. \$8177.21 Six month CD
- iv. \$1068.70 Checking at Bay Winds

Mary reported that the recent meeting/dinner with Heartland representative Nancy Combs-Morgan was a worthwhile success and that she paid the bill for the dinner. The group agreed to reimburse her for this expense from the conference/meeting budget. Five people were able to attend for a total of \$94.

- a. **By laws** –The final version was presented by Tom. The group will have 24 hours to get any last minute changes to Tom and then it will be considered final. The final version will be placed on the web site.
 - b. **Program Committee** – The program committee is actively planning up coming programs.
 - c. **Posting board meeting minutes** – The board minutes will be sent to the board members for review and approval. Once they are approved, they will be sent to Mark Kinney for posting on the web site.
 - d. **Piano**– The UUCOP piano is still at the Albert's home. We need to keep working towards taking care of the piano issue.
1. **New Business**
 - a. **Meeting with Heartland Regional Representative** – This meeting came about quickly and only a few were able to attend. Those that attended felt it was worthwhile and there were several ideas presented about how we could form a

more official relationship with the UUA by using some creative methods. Tom will write a note of thanks to Nancy Combs-Morgan for arranging this meeting and for offering her ideas and help. Mary will ask Ken to write down some notes from the meeting to share with the membership at an upcoming coffee hour.

- b. ACLU Event** – The board approved by e-mail earlier, the UUCOP participation as co-sponsor of an ACLU event to be held in Petoskey in September. The event will be posted on our newsletter e-mailing.
- c. Next board meeting** – The next board meeting will be Oct 13, 2008 at 6pm at the restaurant of the Pellston Airport. All are welcome to attend.