

JRUUC Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday September 15, 2021

Minister of Delight: Renee
TimeKeeper: Glen

Opening/Closing Words: Peggy
Observer: Deb

Welcome/delight, opening words, chalice lighting, adopt agenda – Thanks to Renee for an article to read to delight us! Peggy requested that discussion of Board Retreat be added to the agenda. Tom moved adoption of the agenda with this addition; Peggy seconded. Motion passed.

Reflection Time: Watch/listen to “Tomorrow” sung by the 2020 GA Virtual Choir. Reflection question: Can you imagine “better days” that might be possible? What might they be like?

Approve last month’s meeting minutes. Glen suggested we remove names of individuals who we considered for the vacant Board position from the final minutes document. Glen moved that August minutes be approved with this change. Isaac seconded. Motion passed. Peggy agreed to make the change.

Consent Agenda: The following reports were reviewed prior to the meeting. There was no discussion of items, but there was a request by Peggy that at a meeting in the near future, Glen walk us through the treasurer’s report to build our understanding of all its components.

- Treasurer’s Report: Glen
- Building Stewardship: Renee
- C-19 SPTF: Karen
- Minister’s report: Karen

Welcome Anna Rue as our new Board member. Deb moved and Tom seconded a motion to approve Anna Rue as a “member-at-large” of this Board. Motion passed. Anna is filling out Tom Boswell’s term, to end in June 2022.

Park Bank Cheque Signers Document. Glen: I move that the following members of the JRUUC Board of Trustees – J. Isaac Gadiant, Debra A. Myrbo, Glen Gordon, Renee Buchanan, Tom McClintock – be made official cheque signers on the JRUUC Park Bank checking account. Renee seconded. Motion passed.

Next steps: Glen will send a note along with a copy of these minutes to Park Bank. They will then send us a document for each of us to sign. Glen will let us know when that document is available to sign and each of us will be responsible for getting to the JRUUC Building within a week’s time to sign. Isaac will make sure that each of us has access to the building.

Endowment Committee – this item was tabled until our retreat or a future meeting.

Stretch Break. Before our break, Anna read aloud our Board Covenant to each other, adopted at our August meeting.

White Supremacy Culture at James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Congregation. We focused our discussion on the first characteristic: “perfectionism”. We paid special attention to the antidotes and how we see these played in our congregation and on this Board.

New charge for Immigrant and Refugee Rights Team (IRRT) (formerly Sanctuary Leadership Team). Given that this ministry team developed the charge and the accompanying list of responsibilities, Peggy moved that we approve the charge as presented, Deb seconded. Motion passed.

Board Retreat Discussion. Isaac explained that the Executive Committee was meeting to create an agenda. The intent of this meeting is to make space to be with each other, to do team building, and to address “big picture” things. Likely items on our agenda include: Board goals, an overview of our white supremacy work this year, the Endowment Fund, and a Capital Campaign.

Worship Team request to have a BOT member read announcements at Sunday worship. This involves reading 2-3 announcements that are pre-determined by the Worship Team and participation in the practice run is optional. This is not a requirement, but does give us greater visibility within the congregation. Isaac has signed up for this coming Sunday and anyone who is willing is asked to sign up on the Worship Calendar.

Next Meeting's Roles

Time Keeper: Tom M.

Observer: Deb

Opening/Closing Words: Isaac

Minister of Delight: Peggy

Check Out with Process Observer – Deb: “ Despite some initial disjointedness, we modeled appreciation and forgiveness...”

Closing Words

**NOTE: 2021 Fall Retreat is Saturday, Sept. 25 from 11:30-4:00 pm.
Next Board meeting is October 20 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.**