

Friends of Unity
Board of Trustees Meeting

September 15, 2020

Attendees: Rev. Kathy Long, Gail Parker, Vic Huber, Phil Ernzen, Nancy Langeneckert, Sandy Argas, Jan Whittington, Tom LaGoe. All attendees participated in the meeting via Zoom.

Starting time: 7:02 PM

Opening prayer: Kathy

Board minutes: The August minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report for August

Attendance:

- "In person" plus "live stream" attendance in August was 48, up 7 from July.

Income:

- August total income was \$5,993, well below our budget of \$6,792 monthly.
- Year-to-Date income was \$50,110, \$4,223 behind the budget.

Nearly identical to the income from the same period in 2019

Spending:

- August spending was \$6,516.

August rent payment was \$462, versus a budget of \$950, due to our agreement with PCAC.

In August we paid \$607 for improvements to our web site. This was not in our original budget. Except for this payment, our income and spending were balanced in August.

- Year-to-Date total spending was \$54,883, essentially identical to our budget.

Gain/Loss:

- August showed a net loss of \$523, which primarily reflects our investment in our improved web site.

Bank Balance:

- Cash in the bank as of the end of August was \$33,427.
- In August, we repaid the PPP loan of \$8,128, which included \$28 in interest.

Also included in this report was a statement from the Treasurer to be included in our mailing this month in preparation for our annual meeting.

Church Administrator Report

- The Sunday Service has been broadcast on the website within a module that Isaac, Kathy's son, found for us.
- Gail wants to recognize Julie Braun at AccuNet for her assistance on the two Sundays and with the new Home Page design suggested by Kathy and Heather.
- The World Day of Prayer service prepared by Phil and Flossie was an experiment to have the service at the PCAC and include others in the Zoom room - practice for the Annual Meeting.
- Mailings for the past month: One snail mailing announcing the Annual Meeting with bios of the nominees for the Board, and three MailChimp emails.
- Facebook wants more documentation that we're a non-profit, in order to allow us a Donate button. Kathy said we could get our 501(c)3 from UWM.

Minister's Report

- Sherry is helping Kathy understand how to do fb marketing.
- Sherry is also continuing to research options to improve live streaming.
- Heather has posted an ad for tech support through Nextdoor.com, listed at \$15/hr. No response. We'll also announce at church that we're looking for someone.
- Nitai Jivan das, ISHKON Hari Krishna, teacher and member, will lead a 7-part series: An Introduction to the Bhagavad Gita starting in October.
- Kathy is leading Prayer Partner training in September with Unity of Ann Arbor and Unity of Livonia members and ministers.

New Business

- 10-year anniversary of FoU: Sandy has planned something special for each Sunday in October. The theme: Created, Sustaining, Evolving.
- Discussion of agenda for the Annual Meeting. This went out in the snail mail last week. We'll skip the reading of last year's minutes.
- New Board members – What documents will they receive?

A copy of Policy and Procedures

- Board Training

Kathy proposed a mini training session before the October Board meeting.

She is considering having training once a quarter.

To close the meeting, Vic read a piece on prosperity wealth.

Meeting ended at 9:02 PM.

Nancy Langeneckert, Secretary