

**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF MIDLAND
3301 NEELY AVENUE MIDLAND, TEXAS**

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: January 9, 2022

**PRESIDENT: JANINE DECKARD - PRESIDENT ELECT: BARBARA HANDLEY -
TREASURER: JANE HELLINGHAUSEN - SECRETARY: APRIL GRAHAM - AT LARGE:
ELI HILBERT, LISA JEBSEN, REBECCA DODGE**

*Action items in orange

*Board motions in blue

CALL TO ORDER at 12:18pm **CERTIFY QUORUM** – 7 board members present

OPEN FORUM FOR CONGREGATION OR INVITED GUESTS – Harry Nutter

-large oil check from Summit – Harry says there must have been a “division order” that they are now honoring. Confused about the amount because other amounts he’s received emails about are different. He will contact Summit to make sure everything is ok legally and so on.

-Harry will also check with companies that have made offers on our mineral rights to see what the latest offers are, so we can make a decision on whether we’d like to sell or keep getting royalties.

CONFIRM ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS (consent agenda) done online/email: All are in favor.

* **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

* **EDUCATION REPORT**

* **COVID CARE**

* **TREASURER’S REPORT – Update on Oil Divisions** (see above)

-checking balance = \$124,000

-we are perhaps overspent in the maintenance category, but doing well overall – Jane’s guesstimate is that we are at 70% of our budget spent for the fiscal year

-Barb notes that the gardening cost may have been put into building and grounds rather than the garden budget. *Jane will let Jessica know to put checks to John Navarro in the garden budget category.*

OLD BUSINESS

* **BUILDING AND GROUNDS:** -Tim has taken the old signs off. Some confusion about whether the doors need to be repainted or not – Lisa will follow up. Barbara will check on whether we have the paint already.

***MINISTERIAL SEARCH:** Discuss the fall meeting; Interim Search Committee

-We need a committee! Janine and Eli are on board – we need some non-board people.

*possibly Arturo? Kendall? – Jane will check with Arturo, Barbara will check with Kendall.

-If we can start our search in Feb – interim, we will know in May if we will have someone; best case, we'd have someone by July 1.

NEW ACTION ITEMS:

WORSHIP COMMITTEE: Need Feb. 6 & 27, but may be able to cover via Stephen Gaines

ELECTRIC COMPANY: Rhythm: contract expires 1/31. Janine suggests Reliant: consistent rates, reliable. Jane will check in with Reliant and cancel with Rhythm.

COVID: Eli – suggests we should offer N95 masks to people with Omicron raging.

STEVE GAINES: We should schedule an interview with him; we'd like to hire him to do 1 or 2 Sundays a month.

-How do we make a decision on what to pay him?? Guest ministers get about \$300/sunday. Suggestion: Pay \$1000/mo for 2 sermons, some pastoral care.

-Interview question: if we don't find an interim for the fall, would you be willing to do part time for us?

-Barbara will check with him for a time for interview – around 7:00pm sometime this week.

-Janine will send around the list of questions for us to choose from.

DRE – Barbara report: Stone soup next Sunday, people will take their soup to go

SHARE THE PLATE: Black Lives of UU for Feb; Planned Parenthood of Lubbock for March; April, Keep Midland Beautiful

WELCOMING CONGREGATION ITEMS: Posters came in. Frame them? Barbara says let's frame one for sure!

BOARD THANK YOU FOR MONTH OF JAN – Tim for fixing up the church (esp toilet! Haha!)

MEETING END TIME: 1:30

Next Board meeting date(s): Feb. 13, 12:15

Respectfully submitted by April Graham, Secretary