Jim called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and Judith led us in song followed by an opening reading.

1. **Approve/Modify Agenda:** Roger added discussion of dishwashing after potlucks.

2. **Approval of Minutes.** The November minutes have been approved by email.

3. **Treasurer’s Report & Finance & Next Treasurer.** Roger reported that expenditures were $12,024 YTD and expenditures continue to be under budget. David Fry expressed willingness to serve as Treasurer if elected to the Board. Discussion ensued about check signers. Roger, David, Jay and Lisa will continue as check signers and Jim will replace Darlene. The Fidelity account will continue to be handled by Roger and Niels and Mary McKay will also join.

4. **Congregational Meeting Plan & Election.** Sunday January 28 from 4-5 pm in the Guild Room at the church; election will be held to replace Roger Hallsten who leaves the board after two 2-year terms; Richard Stromer has agreed to nomination to replace Roger and Roger has agreed to a position on the Nomination Committee which includes Niels and Bill Hieb.

5. **Growing Our Fellowship: Postcard Campaign; Progress with Visitor Contacts, increased website usage, sign in front of church.** Jim reported that the first group of postcards advertising the upcoming Holiday Concert on December 17 were mailed starting December 4 and the remaining group will be mailed by December 8. Lisa reported that the visitor at the last Sunday service saw our sign outside, lives in the neighborhood and was involved with the Santa Monica UU Church in the past. Website usage has increased, Jim put up the Live Oak banner recently and the board decided that additional flags advertising our service would not be necessary at this time. Jim will pursue setting up a table at the Alameda Farmer’s Market to advertise Live Oak.

6. **Buying CEC flowers for first Sunday in 2018 (Anniversary of our first service there).** A lively discussion ensued about whether the Board should continue buying flowers for the church and the decision was to continue.

7. **Games Nights.** Lisa proposed two dates, January 13 and March 24. Both Jim and Judith have plans for January 13th so they both agreed to assist ahead of time with tasks.
Judith did a closing reading. Meeting adjourned 8:43 pm.

--Respectfully submitted by Judith Heller, Secretary

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