## January 12, 2016 Minutes Live Oak UU Fellowship Board of Trustees

90 Athol Ave., Oakland, CA 94606

**Board Members Present:** Bernadette Alexander, Kathryn Duke,

Roger Hallsten, Renee Harper, Jay Roller

Others Present: Lisa Fry, David Fry

Jay called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Roger did an opening reading

1. **Agenda:** The board unanimously approved the proposed agenda.

- 2. Approval of Minutes. November minutes have been approved by email.
- **3. Treasurer's Report & Finance.** We are in the black so far, due to early payments of some pledges and lower spending than budgeted. We are likely to have a smaller deficit than budgeted this fiscal year
- **4. Consultant Evaluation Update:** These evaluations are happening, and the committee chairs will report at the next board meeting about their written and verbal interchanges with Live Oak's CYRE Head Teacher, Choir director/pianist, and Monthly Worship Leader.
- 5. Planning for Congregational Meeting. Each board member plus Lisa has taken responsibility for different aspects of the planned meeting. Topics to be covered:

  (a) Election to fill two Board member terms that begin this year, plus a Nominating Committee member.
  (b) Finance Report.
  (c) Explanation and recruitment of additional volunteers for sanctuary and Guild Room setup and takedown activities for each worship service.
  (d) General discussion (breaking into groups of three) on the future of our current goal of Every Sunday Programming. Use triad discussion groups re Second Sunday to ask for program ideas, inquire who would want and plan to attend these events, and who is willing to help lead or otherwise organize these events?
- 6. **2**nd **Sundays: Discussion/Ideas.** The board had general discussion about each member's current thoughts and hopes on this topic. The board looks forward to spending significant time involving the rest of the congregation at the upcoming Congregational meeting on January 31.
- 7. Committee Reports. Social Justice & Service Group. There was discussion about whether to continue to invest people resources in this committee. Should we continue to try to do this?
  Action: It was unanimously decided that this Committee will become inactive, per the agreement at past leadership retreats for us to select and focus on priorities. Individuals in the congregation will be encouraged to use the Live Oak listserve to inform and encourage people regarding specific upcoming social justice and community service events that other congregants might want to know about and participate in.

Roger did a closing reading; Jay led the group in song. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

--Respectfully submitted by Kathryn Sáenz Duke, Secretary

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