

April 14, 2016 Minutes
Live Oak UU Fellowship Board of Trustees
90 Athol Ave., Oakland, CA 94606

Board Members Present: Bernadette Alexander, Kathryn Duke, Roger Hallsten, Jay Roller, Jim Freschi

Others Present: Lisa Fry, David Fry

Jay called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm; Jay did an opening reading.

1. **Agenda:** Lisa asked the board to consider adopting a policy clarifying whether attendees at Live Oak services may carry weapons. Jay said he would report on San Francisco UU's policy. Jim said he would ask a friend who worked for the Jim Brady campaign for guidance.

2. **Approval of March Minutes.** Since there was no meeting in March, there were no minutes to approve. The February minutes were approved by e-mail earlier.

3. **Treasurer's Report & Finance.** It appears we will end with a smaller deficit than was originally projected for this fiscal year. Roger and David both expect a small deficit. Roger distributed a copy of the Board's policy on managing the Fellowship's budget as it applies to a deficit. It was drafted at the Long Range Planning Retreat. David said the Worship, Music, RE, Outreach and Membership committees need to get their next year fiscal estimates to him as soon as possible.

4. **Stewardship Campaign:** Roger said the letters have all been mailed or handed out. Lisa will send an e-mailer reminder to the Yahoo Group next week, asking people to turn in their pledges. Roger expects the board to discuss the budget at its next meeting May 12, with approval expected at the Congregational Meeting June 12. Roger would like to have a Congregational Dinner in September. The dinner will not be held in June as has been the case in the past.

5. **Board Elections:** Jay, Kathryn and Bernadette will be leaving the Board in Feb. 2017, and possible recruitments were discussed.

6. **CYRE Report:** Kathryn said Instructor Brooke Bishara has decided not to renew her contract with Live Oak and will leave in June. There was a discussion about how to proceed with the CYRE program after the departure of highly regarded Brooke. Kathryn suggested perhaps we merge our CYRE with another church in the area. Lisa said a UU church in Lake County did merge its youth education program with a Methodist church.

7. **Music Update:** Jay said the choir director is working out well after some earlier misunderstandings.

8. **Membership:** Lisa reported there have been no new members lately.

Jay read a closing reading and led the group in song. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

--Respectfully submitted by Jim Freschi, Pinch Hit Secretary

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