July 13, 2017 Minutes
Live Oak UU Fellowship Board of Trustees
90 Athol Ave., Oakland, CA 94606

Board Members Present: Jim Freschi, Lisa Fry, Roger Hallsten, Judith Heller
Others Present: David Fry

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

1. Agenda: No items were added to the agenda.

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

3. Treasurer’s Report & Finance. David and Roger presented the final report for fiscal year 2016-17 showing a surplus of over $1200. This is in contrast to the budgeted deficit of almost $9000 with savings mainly due to reducing from three to two services per month.

4. Budget for Next Year. The budget was approved at the congregational meeting and is set for next year.

5. Stewardship Report as of this week. Roger reported that he continues to reach out to those in regular attendance to find out their interest in becoming members of Live Oak.

6. Growing our Fellowship/Postcard Campaign, Other Ideas. Jim provided a draft to Lisa & Mary who agreed that the label side looked good and they are still working on verbiage. Jim would like to have a table at the local Farmer’s Market in Alameda and Judith suggested outreach to the Coast Guard community since we recently had two CG families attend church. David will investigate possibilities for outreach since he has access as ex-military.

7. Games Night & Celebration Dinner. Games Night is scheduled for July 22 and pizza and salad will be provided. The Celebration Dinner will be September 9 with take-out from Tomatina (Italian food), Judith is in charge of the Decoration Committee and entertainment is in the planning stages.

8. Update on Music Director. Judith reported that David Howitt accepted our offer and the Music Committee and Choir are delighted to welcome him.

9. Update on New CYRE Consultant. JeKaren Olaoya led her first class at the July 2 service and Kathryn indicated that Darlene is assisting JeKaren
with the Story for All Ages for the next service. The CYRE committee and JeKaren have a scheduled meeting after the August service to discuss how things are going and plans for the future.

10. **Cost for Flags.** Jim quoted a custom-made flag, 3’ x 5’ would cost $75. He mentioned that Feather Flags were cheaper at $35. We’ll look at our 4th of July banner to see if it would work to hang on the walkway to the church.

11. **Recent Visitor Report.** Lisa reported that two Coast Guard families visited at the July 2 service. They found our fellowship through our website.

12. **How is the fellowship doing?** Lisa continues to express concern at low attendance level and suggested that we could possibly reach out to those who haven’t attended in a while.

*Jim did a closing reading and led the group in song. Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm.*

---Respectfully submitted by Judith Heller, Secretary

**Live Oak creates loving community through worship and service to others.**