

Board of Trustees of Live Oak Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2026

Attendance (via Zoom)

Jim Freschi

Jackie Roth

Matt Lovering

Mark Goor (secretary)

Opening—Mark Goor shared from The Grateful Heart

Quiet Moment

Personal Check In

New items

1. Approve Minutes of March 10, 2026 **approved (Matt moves, Jackie seconds)**
2. Google Docs Jackie proposed that the board use Google docs for easy sharing and editing. Matt set up Google Drive and sent the login and password. **We will use Google docs this month for the minutes.**
3. Add a non-profit organization to the approved list of charities for Live Oak support Jay asked the board to **approve adding Starr-King School for Ministry to the approved list of Charities. There was unanimous approval.** Jim explained that speakers are asked if they would like to recommend the Sunday offering be shared with a specific 501c3. Most speakers ask the worship team to suggest the Charity. Matt asked if there is a list or schedule for speakers to choose from. **Jim will send the list of approved charities to the board.**
4. Minutes posted on Live Oak Website Jim has posted one year of minutes and the current agenda on the Live Oak website. Jim will keep this updated.
5. Next congregational meeting The next congregational meeting is scheduled for July 26. Roger should prepare a presentation about Live Oak Finances. The music, fun, and worship committees should submit requests for budgets to be considered at the meeting. (the music committee may consider asking for funding for two paid choir positions. **The board will develop an agenda for the Congregational Meeting during the May board meeting.**

Previous Items

1. Continue discussion on proposal to take political stands Jim contacted four UUs to ask about their practices or rules. A. Half Moon Bay had “Opportunities for Good” in their newsletter. They don’t take a stand as a church. B. Redwood City has a “Social Action Committee” that provides guidance. C. The Oakland church was a rallying point for No Kings Day. And D. Berkeley has taken broad stands on larger issues involving social justice. Jim liked the newsletter idea. **Possible outcomes: suggest adding a feature to the newsletter, creating a social action committee, and asking for input during the congregational meeting. Jackie and Matt will write up something for the congregational meeting.**

6. Finances Matt asked for an update on general finances. **Jim will ask Roger for an update to share with the board. Possibly, Roger will share an update quarterly.**

Closing Mark read more from The Grateful Heart

Respectfully submitted by Mark Goor