

**KEWEENAW UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
BOARD MEETING
KUUF Church**

Date: December 15, 2024

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82213508549>

Present: Lora Repp, Elen Maurer, Trista Gersie, Lucinda Enderby, John Gale, Jane Bodi, Elaine Eikenberry, Pete Ekstrom

Absent: Melissa Williamson

Ex-Officio: none

Guests: Miriam Pickens

AGENDA

Preamble

1. Chalice lighting
2. Agenda additions/changes

Fiduciary and Regular Business

Consensus agenda:

1. Meeting Minutes for 11/17/24 Cindy moved to accept, John seconded, 1 abstained. 7 approved
2. Treasurer's report-Special donation collection has been given to the Keweenaw Bay Community College. Bank balances are in good shape. Treasurer is satisfied with the balance. Trista moved to accept. Pete seconded. All approved.
3. Utility Costs for 604 Bridge Street -Utilities were reviewed and are under budget.

Strategic Work

1. Building Business

- Follow up- Air quality-Board approved spending \$700ish on mold testing and air quality testing by Critical Environmental Remediation Industries. They have a branch in Escanaba.
- Snow removal -Establishing a volunteer system. Lora-Friday mornings, Bob Drake- Monday mornings, Thursday morning will need a volunteer before Martha arrives at her office hours. Melissa-cleared snow this past thursday. Volunteer system is developing.

- Decorating for next year-Sharon is willing to volunteer for holiday decorating next year. Trista is interested in participating with the decorating committee. The goal is to make our holiday season more inclusive with decorations for christmas, hanukkah, *kwanzaa*. Thank you to Sharon for the offer.
- Keweenaw Faith United- have lunch meetings with ministers and faith leaders. Discussed offering space at KUUF building. Lora feels it would be in line with our faith to host a meal. Miriam attends and is willing to offer our space. We could provide beverages.
- Sustainability - Elen/Lora Took a phone call of Will Juntunen from Gross Pointe UU. He is reaching out to other congregations discuss how sustainability is being addressed. The concept of sustainability is large-Stewardship committee will make us sustainable. Board considered if we can we have a circuit of speakers who will talk about sustainability. This is the beginning of a conversation.
- *Thanks to Carol Ekstrom. Michigan Technological University Environmental Evaluation team will review our space for free.*
- We need more chairs for the sanctuary. The cost will come out of left over building renovation budget. Melissa- will be ordering soon.

2. Stewardship Committee-Looking for a leader. Lora will continue the search

3. Covenant – Call and responses of the covenant are returning to Sunday Services. Lora is looking for a really nice way to introduce it. She requested help creating a series of slides to break the covenant into 6 sections. It will be printed on paper and laminated. Cindy will help with formatting and editing. Hoping to start the first Sunday in January. Looking into lamination options.

4.Events-

- Eagle Scout Presentation date-Waiting to hear back from Ben Hemmer on an appropriate date for his presentation.
- Volunteer activity for sponsored troop. Feb 2- light continental breakfast laid out on Sunday Feb 2. It will be open to the congregation. Clean up will be managed by the troop. Board approves. This will go out in the digest.
- Troop leaders have a family requesting a scholarship, two children. KUUF agrees to provide assistance. This will be covered with Ministry discretionary funds. Good use of funds.

5. Parking-

- There will be an announcement to encourage those able to park along the road as the parking lot is shrinking. We will need to have snow removed. This is our year of learning the snow systems on our new property.

Next meeting January 19, 2025