



2017-01-29 Mid-Year Meeting Minutes
First Universalist Church of Yarmouth
97 Main Street, Yarmouth, Maine 04096

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Marge Titcomb, President; Joanna Landsman, Clerk; Jane Cleaves; Nancy Dix; Charlie Hortsmann; Lily O'Brien; Rebecca Rundquist

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Joan Guild, Vice President

MINISTER: The Reverend Jennifer Emrich

LIGHT THE CHALICE and OPENING WORDS: The chalice was lit and Rev. Jennifer opened the meeting at 11:45 AM.

QUORUM: A quorum was established as well over the required 20% of the current church membership was in attendance.

BOARD UPDATES: Marge Titcomb & Rev. Jennifer Emrich

- Reintroduced the current board, including Jane Cleaves, who is completing Tamara Pride's term.
- Reviewed the restructuring of the B&G Team from 1 (Pete Titcomb) to 3 (Charlie Horstmann, Pete Titcomb and TBD.)
- Reviewed Rev. Jennifer's sabbatical plan for June 1 – Sept 1, 2017.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Jane Cleaves

The Nominating Committee will begin their work for FY17 soon. Jane encouraged anyone who is interested to explore open board and other committee opportunities.

HEALTHY CONGREGATION TEAM: Rev. Jennifer Emrich

Presented the distilled Mission Statement of "Explore – Embrace – Engage: be a spiritual seeker" and led discussion on how Mission and Covenant are associated.

VOTE: moderated by Sue Ellen Boardman:

Our current Mission, as distilled to its essence as our Mission Review Team has modeled, will serve us for another 3 years, and through our covenanting process." The motion carried unanimously with no abstentions. Therefore, the covenanting process will begin this church year.



MEMBER SERVICES: Nancy Dix

Reviewed greeter training to welcome newcomers, newcomer dinners, Turning Point discussions on 2nd Sundays, April field trip to Boston, Sign the Book Party, Pie Sunday, nametags and other Member Services activities.

STEWARDSHIP: Marge Titcomb

Financial overview, 2017 Annual Campaign February launch, review of other fundraising events including Music Series, Gala, etc.

HFG PROJECT UPDATE: Marge Titcomb & Sarah Witte

Overview and celebration of the Here for Good project, which is nearing its completion

CLOSING: The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Landsman
Clerk