

**Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Wilmington, North Carolina**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees**  
**September 19, 2019**

**Members: Toni Aberson, Karen Gottovi, Mike Hosick, Jim Ludwig, Cornelia Maxted, Rick Nida, Beth O'Connell, Don Smith, Pamela Waite.**  
**Ex-Officio: Reverend Cheryl M. Walker**

President Don Smith called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. He lit the chalice and read the Mission Statement and the BOT Covenant.

Don was the Worship Associate for the BOT for September, and Beth wrote the BOT article for the September Beacon. Toni will be the Worship Associate for the BOT for October, and Rick will write the Beacon article for October.

The Minutes for July 25, the last regular BOT meeting, had previously been approved by e-mail.

The Treasurer's Report had been explained and approved at the Board Retreat on September 14.

Reverend Cheryl shared with the BOT that she, Leslie, and Julie will soon have new e-mail addresses. Until then, the old addresses should still be used.

Some possible solutions for the problems of the back parking lot were discussed.

Possible fundraisers for the new UUCWNC year were discussed. The primary fundraiser has been the silent auction. Beth O'Connell provided details about the planning and process of the silent auction. March is the probable date for the auction. Soup Sunday, the book sale and the plant sale have been among our other successful fundraisers. It was hoped that all would continue this year. Cornelia Maxted volunteered to gather information about selling UU jewelry as a possible fundraiser.

Toni Aberson raised questions about our image and presence within the larger community. Reverend Cheryl explained that being listed among the places of worship in the Star News is cost prohibitive and, in the past, has not been effective as a means of gaining new membership. Members of the BOT were encouraged to use social media as a means of reaching the larger community with information about UUCWNC and its activities.

According to the Monitoring and Discussion Schedule as listed in the Policy Manual, the Board should review its covenant each September. Comments should be sent to Don Smith by October 4th. The BOT decided to also review 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, and 4.1 for consideration at the BOT meeting in October. Beth O'Connell volunteered to send reminder notices to members of the BOT.

Don Smith extinguished the chalice and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Toni Aberson  
Secretary  
UUCWNC Board of Trustees