NATURE COAST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

12 AUGUST 2019

Call to order: The monthly meeting of the NCUU was held August 12, 2019. Presiding officer, Rob Deremer, called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M.

Members in Attendance: Directors Tom Hibberd, Shirley Leonard, Bree Hill, Don Wright, Joe Verdi, President Rob Deremer, V. P. Connie Hart and Clerk Nancy Pettus.

Additional agenda items: Security

Minutes There were no additions or corrections to the July 2019 minutes. They were adopted as distributed.

Covenant Rob read the Covenant aloud.

Reports

President’s Message Rob reported that Barbara now has hospice care at home. Tom offered to conduct a healing ceremony for her.

Treasurer’s Report

Rob reported that a check in the amount of $214,000 has been received from the estate of Joan Burnett. Her wish was that the money be used to pay off the building and land mortgages. That would leave approximately $100,000 in funds to the church. The money will be deposited at the Brannen Bank. There will be an appropriate recognition of Joan and her love for NCUU. A note burning ceremony and a painting of Joan was also discussed. Joan’s friend, Diane, will also be included as she was a great support to Joan in her final months.

Motion: Don Wright moved that the building mortgage of $123,000 and the land mortgage of $23,000 be paid off; seconded by Rob Deremer. Motion passed unanimously.

**Committee Reports**

**Social Activities**: John Comer resigned as chair of the committee, a new chair will be needed.

The **Finance Committee** needs a chair also.

Nancy Pettus will be moving to Alabama in September and a new Board member and Clerk will be needed. Pam Ricker is working on these.

**Social Justice** Don Wright reported that the Kitchen Table Forum will be held Monday, October 7 from 6:30-8 PM at NCUU; Citrus LWV will co-sponsor the event. Don Wright will speak on Climate Change. He is looking for recommendations for guest speakers and other co-sponsors. Possible sponsors include Equality Florida, Sierra Club and the Florida Springs Institute. Contact Don with ideas for speakers, topics and co-sponsors.

**Grounds** Bree reported that the water usage jumped from 1000 to 21,000 gallons. Matt is checking on the meter reading. There is a possible leak; if so it will have to be addressed.

**Unfinished Business**

*Hymnals* Connie ordered the new hymnals and they have arrived. Pam and Nancy have removed the hymnals needing rebinding and Nancy has contacted Ink Spot Media about printing book plates.

*Septic* Sale *Field Recertification* Joe Verdi will meet with the firm hired to do the inspection.

*Book Sale* Tom reported that the book sale will be September 27-28th.

*Welcoming Congregation* We are meeting the requirements for recertification; paperwork needs to be completed and submitted.

**New Business**

*UUA annual Dues* Connie reported that the dues this year are $2642. Rob will inform John to pay the dues. This is a budget item that has been approved.

*Announcements* Linda reported that the Sunday Service Committee is addressing the announcements.

*Refrigerator* Joe Verdi reported that a plumber will be necessary to repair the problem at approximately $35/hour.

**Other**

*Maintenance issues* There was discussion about hiring a part time handy man to address issues that arise concerning the building and grounds. Don Wright volunteered to contact the person he uses and inquire if he would be willing to take on the job on an as needed basis.

*Security*  Joe Verdi inquired about the installation of mirrored film on the lobby doors as an added security measure. Connie confirmed the price at $36.00. The recommendation was to start with the smoke type. It will be ordered and the handy man hired to install it. Displaying the rainbow flag was tabled until the September meeting to allow for input from the congregation.

*Board Vacancy*  Nancy Pettus will be moving to Alabama in September and a new Board member and Clerk will be needed. Pam Ricker is working on a replacement.

*Long Range Plan* The Long Range Planning Committee will be charged with determining how to best use the donated funds to enhance and grow the NCUU fellowship.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM. **September meeting will be September 9 at 10:30 A.M.**