

**Monte Vista Unitarian Universalist Congregation**

**Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**

**Date September 15, 2021**

**Scheduled Zoom Meeting**

**Call to Order @ 6:34 PM**

**Attendees:**

Alan Worley (President)  
Bob Taylor (Treasurer)  
Mary Darrow (Secretary)  
Jeanine Little (At Large)  
Kathy Mason (At Large)  
Susan Seifried (At Large)  
Rev. Maggie Yenoki

Absent: Robert Tidwell DLRE

**Guest:** Catherine Mayfield

**Chalice lighting:** “We are at a critical point where rapid change is forcing us to look not just to new ways of solving problems but to new problems to solve.” Tim Brown, Innovator

***Approve minutes from August 18, 2021 meeting:***

Minutes were approved as submitted.

**Reports:**

Minister, DLRE, Treasurer, Facilities- all attached.

**Informational Items:**

Maribel Dana will be joining the Finance Committee

**Old Business:**

1. Status of Montessori school and contract renewal– will find out by Friday.
2. Memo of Understanding for the Concert Fund Administration
3. SLG (Spirit Level Grant)

**New Business:**

1. Animal ministry “Cain’s Cupboard”, monitored by Catherine Mayfield.

**Motion 2021-09-15-01:** Authorize the creation of “Cain’s Cupboard, self-sustaining pet supply pantry to be located in Foyer. Food and other animal care items will be available to any who are in need. The “cupboard” will be set up and monitored by Catherine Mayfield or other volunteers. Replenishment of supplies will be requested from the congregation as a “Free Will” offering.

Approved: Mary Darrow

Seconded: Kathy Mason

Vote: Yea 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Result: Passed

2. TACO Tuesday (Talking and Connecting Online) Need funding for Music on Tuesday nights.

**Motion: 2021-09-15-02:** If Lily Popova is agreeable, request that the Finance Committee explore the possibility of funding \$150.00 for an additional hour of music during the week.

Approved: Bob Taylor

Seconded: Jeanine Little

Vote: Yea: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Result: Passed

3. Authorize the hiring of Lily Noa-Roberts as a “Contract Sunday Services Tech Specialist”

**Motion: 2021-09-15-03:** Approve the hiring of Lily Noa-Roberts as a “Contract Sunday Services Tech Specialist” at the rate of \$20.00 per hour for an estimated t to 6 hours per week.

Approved: Jeanine Little

Seconded: Kathy Mason

Vote: Yea: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Result: Passed

4. Approve selection of Casey Rice to provide Sound Consulting and Technical services for Hybrid Services equipment and configuration.

**Motion: 2021-09-15-04:** Approve payment to Casey Rice of \$500.00 for consultation services and technical advice in the basic equipment and optimization of existing equipment.

Approved: Mary Darrow

Seconded: Susan Siefried

Vote: Yea: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Result: Passed

5. Authorize creation and funding for the position of Sunday Services Tech Specialist Assistant.

**Motion: 2021-09-15-05:** Authorize Personnel Committee to create the requirements for a Contract Sunday Services Tech Specialist Assistant to assist the Contract Sunday Services Specialist during the hybrid services. Rate of Pay \$18.00 per hour for 2 hours each service. Allow the hiring of Jaryus Hagan to fill this new position.

Approved: Mary Darrow

Seconded: Susan Siegfried

Vote: Yea: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Result: Passed

6. Request for the private use of the MVUUC. What is the procedure?

**Motion: 2021-09-15-06:** Permit the Office Staff, with agreement of the Minister and/or the Board, to schedule use of the MVUUC facility

**by small groups that are not affiliated with MVUUC, for minimal or no charge, depending on the expense to MVUUC.**

Tabled for next meeting.

7. Authorize the Saturday YOGA class to accept donations that will go towards a MVUUC activity such as the garden.

**Motion: 2021-09-15-07:** Authorize John Schmalstig to collect a goodwill offering at Yoga classes. All funds raised will be placed into a “Yoga” Balance sheet item and will be used to purchase equipment for either the yoga class or the garden area.

Tabled for next meeting.

8. Begin active fund raising for the SLG for technology. MVUUC needs to raise a total \$12,500 of monies designated only for the fulfillment of this grant requirement.

**Motion: 2021-09-15-08:** Authorize the formation of a group to handle the FUND RAISING portion of our Spirit Level Grant for Technology, including communicating with the congregation about the goals and status of this grant.

Did not carry through with the motion-Susan Siefried volunteered to set this in motion.

### **Upcoming Events:**

1. Congregational Happy Hour to discuss new by-laws.
2. Congregational meeting to vote on approval of new by-laws
3. Congregational survey has been sent to congregants.
4. Weekend event in nation that liberal churches have need to be alert. We will call other churches in Claremont to see what precautions, if any, are being taken.

### **Gratitude:**

By-Law Committee

Contract-to-Call Committee

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 6:30 PM via Zoom

**Adjourned @ 8:20 p. m.**