

2021 MqtUU Congregation Annual Meeting Minutes
June 6

Opening Words (Mary Maki)

Membership Roll Call to Establish Quorum (Mary Maki)

Members in attendance:

Mary Maki, Michelle Harrison, Teri Rockwood, Jill Malin, Lindsay Griffith, Sarah Johnson, Sari Embley, Desi Kilbourn-Mims, Gary Stark, Erin Kilbourn-Mims, Susan Urban, Dave Stensaas, Adam Skidmore

Guests: Grey Sample, Heidi Gould

Quorum reached

President's Welcome (Teri Rockwood)

A Message from Your MqtUU President:

Thanks for participating this morning. We appreciate your engagement in these necessary matters regarding our community.

Let me start off by recognizing and thanking those that have been actively engaged in our community this past year:

Desi Kilbourn-Mims: Wearing a lot of hats at MqtUU that are so important for our congregation. Administrative Assistant, Board Member and Board Secretary, Sunday Service Planning and zoom Host most Sundays (which allows us to be in person and Zoom at the same time.)

If you are available to assist with content for the This n That, Facebook Group, or Webpage, please reach out to Desi.

Jill Malin: New to the Board and taking on Treasury duties. She has been so encouraging and has added good energy into the MqtUU mix of leaders. She has also led some of our Sunday Services. Dedicated to being an active member of this community.

Mary Maki: has continued to dedicate her time to monthly board zoom meetings and has helped with some of the stewardship tasks. She is committing herself to another term on the Board of Trustees.

Erin Kilbourn-Mims and Adam Skidmore: Thank you for helping plan and lead Sunday Services. If you have a service idea or would like to help in some way with the planning of services, please reach out to them.

Jamie Kuehn!: Thanks for dedicating some time to our youth and getting them together for some fun community building activities. Which is no easy feat with their crazy teen schedules. She will continue to work with the youth group that are working on the Coming of Age Program.

Sarah Johnson: Thanks for reengaging the group of families interested in the OWL program. It is sure to be a successful offering. She also took the time to provide us with a social opportunity this past Friday to send off the Bennett Family with some fun and games and ice cream of course. Sarah Bennett, Jason Krebill, and their daughter Nora are moving to Wausau, WI at the end of this month.

Laura Lancour: Thanks for putting in the hard work to get some much

needed deep cleaning done in our building while we weren't using it. Laura and Jill painted the SE Space last year.

February Sky: Thanks to Susan Urban and Phil Cooper for providing many Free services this past year over Zoom. We are grateful for their continued support of our community.

A Recap of our Year from July 2020 to June 2021:

New Board Members: Jill Malin and Mary Maki joined the Board in July 2020

John O'Bryan provided us some energy updates in the building and completed his intern position thru NMU. We wish the O'Bryan Family the best as they move on to new adventures.

Alesia Braund resigned as Administrative Assistant at the end of September and Desi was hired to take on this position.

Running a Congregation with such few people has been quite challenging. We do hope that as members, friends, and visitors start attending and participating in our community, we will become more stable and full of life. Building and Grounds, Spiritual Exploration, Finance Committee, Stewardship, and more need your involvement. A Board of 3 cannot do it all!!

As you will see in our Proposed Budget, we have the financial means to carry on. But money, alone, cannot carry us forward.

It has been a pleasure doing my part in service and faith as your Board President. As I step down from the Board, I will continue to be active in this community in other ways.

"The Light of this Chalice is a frail thing.

It can be snuffed out by the winds of cynicism and apathy.

May its little flame be a reminder of the power of the spirit.

Let us rededicate ourselves to providing light that lifts our hearts and Increases the world's joy."

This reading reminds me of how important our Congregation is to this community in these tumultuous and exciting times where necessary changes are coming to our society.

We must carry on and not let this Congregation end it's existence.

Stay engaged, give what you can, and commit to a job.

Not sure how you can commit yourself, get ahold of me and we can talk about it.

"May we have eyes that see, hearts that love,

And hands that are ready to serve,

For we would take our part as good neighbors in this wide world."

Jackie Creuser, Adapted

We will now move on to our Spiritual Exploration update.

Spiritual Exploration (Teri and Sarah)

OWL starts back up in August

Budget Presentation and Vote (Jill Malin)

MqtUU Budget Draft 21-22

RECEIPTS	20-21 Budget	21-22 Budget
Econo Rec.	150	100
Pledges	16800	14730
Sunday Collection	1300	1300
Building Rent	7200	5000
Interest	325	450
Transfer/"Joan's Bequest"	12775	12205
Fundraising	500	50
OWL		
TOTAL	39050	33835

EXPENDITURES		
Admin Expenses	2000	2000
Admin Assistant		
Salary	7800	7800
Payroll tax	600	1320
Prof. Expenses	0	0
Office Supplies	400	400
Assoc Fees/UUA&MidAm	1000	865
Communications	500	200
Community Support	200	200
Building & Grounds	18000	16000
Kitchen	150	150
Music	600	600
OWL		
Spiritual Exploration		1700
Payroll	4500	
Payroll Tax	0	
Prof Expenses	200	
Committee Exp	500	
Stewardship	100	100
Sunday Services	2500	2500
TOTALS	39050	33835
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Dave motioned to approve, Erin seconded, passed unanimously

Board of Trustees Nominations and Vote (Mary Maki)

Susan Urban nominated and elected unanimously, Adam Skidmore nominated and elected unanimously

Summer Events/Services Schedule (Desi and Erin Kilbourn-Mims)

Game nights happening every Tuesday, Sunday services to continue happening every week, possible introduction of “patchwork services” in which elements of the service are distributed between multiple congregants, possible return of a regular movie night

Open Discussion (Teri)

Suggestions made for additional service ideas, outreach needs, and spiritual focus

Closing Words (Mary Maki)

Reading #680