

Marquette Unitarian Universalist Congregation
Board of Trustees Minutes, Tuesday, 2-17-26 6:00
PM

Via Zoom

1. Called to order at 6:09 pm by Susan Urban
 - a. Attending: Susan Urban, Jill Malin, Rose Riedel, Andrea Stader
 - b. Absent: Sue Roberson
 - c. Others Attending: Mary Maki
2. Opening words and Chalice Lighting by Susan Urban
3. Open Forum: Voting questions to be addressed on New Business
4. Approval of Agenda: Moved by Jill Malin, seconded by Andrea Stader Motion Approved.
5. Approval of MUUC BOT 1-20-26 Meeting Minutes: Moved by Susan Urban, seconded Jill Malin. The Motion was approved.
Urban, seconded by Jill Malin. The Motion was approved.
6. a. Treasurer's Report given by the reports submitted by Jill Malin
Credits, Debits, and Balances for January:
Incoming: \$33,629.06 Outgoing: \$17,497.52,
Balances: Checking: \$ 36,845.54
It was discussed that another CD may have to be moved and we will discuss this at our March BOT meeting.
Approval of Treasurer's Report: Susan Urban made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Andrea Stader. The Motion was approved.
7. Congregational Administrator's Report- Sue Roberson continues to review and post updates on the Website. She also adds approved minutes and Treasurer's Report. Sue is also doing basic updates to events and upcoming services and events.
8. **Old Business**

a. A discussion centered in regard to improving our website last month. It was suggested that we look at WEEBLY and host a domain for the Web Builder to connect to our named domain. Rose and Sue are planning to get together after the holidays to set up the website.

Susan Urban said she has recently looked into some more Web building program since our last meeting.

b. Board of Trustees meeting schedule:

The next regular Monthly MUUC BOT meeting will be March 10, 2026 at 6:00 pm EST via Zoom.

c. Service Schedule/Events:

i. March 1, 11:00 AM-Social Justice Sunday-discovering local opportunities for involvement. Rose is leading, multi-voice

ii March 8, 11:00 AM-Triangle Service, Mqt. UU hosting, Rose is preaching on "All of it Matters". Triangle Service with Petoskey and Bay de Noc UU's.

iii. March 15, 11:00 AM- "The Beauty of Community Care and Mutual Aid-Lessons from Minneapolis"-Rose will be preaching and sharing her experience.

iv. March 22, 11:00 AM- "Oscara" (The Spring Equinox) is a Wiccan and Pagan festival marking the arrival of Spring and the balance between lightness and darkness. Rose will be preaching.

v. March 29, 11:00 AM- "The Music of Social and Environmental Justice."

Andrea Stader, BOT, will be presenting and performing many songs of justice using a musical format on guitar and dulcimer. Be ready to join in on many familiar and a few original songs.

d. Andrea reported that arrangements had been made with the contractor and electrician to evaluate the removal of the wall in our worship space.

e. The Rachel Crary Trust bequest in the amount of \$500,000 was inquired about any notifications and developments. It was stated that all the paperwork has been sent in and we are currently waiting on any new developments.

f. Rose requested that we might discuss the possibility of a Spring Retreat for either MUUC, or Board and Staff. It was determined that Spring is coming up fast and we will look into to planning something later.

Rose has been developing programming and has instituted a meditation Saturday both in person and on line. She also will

probably do an Adult RE group in conjunction with bible study. She did not have any interest for people concerning care giving.

New Business

a. Rose will be participating in the UUA General Assembly starting June 14, 2026 and will also be virtual. She plans to participate the first week relating to UU Business. The second week will consist of UU workshops and will post some of the events that some of us might want to view with her at our Congregational meeting place.

b. Rose signed up for the Congregation to sponsor a \$1000.00 tier for Marquette Pride Fest. We will have a table at the community event along with information about our Congregation and other activities! This a well attended event with many booths and musical performances. The Pride Fest will take place on June 13, 2026 from 12:00pm -11:00pm

A motion was made by: Susan Urban, seconded by Andrea Stader, to spend \$1000.00 tier for the Marquette Pride Fest at Ellwood Mattson Park, 200 N Shore Blvd Lower Harbor. The motion passed unanimously.

c. It was brought to the attention of Board by Sue Roberson that there have been fraudulent alerts on the UU credit card. It was suggested by Mary Maki, that a Financial Transactional Policy on financial transactions concerning UU's be put on place. Jill said she would work on it.

d. It was suggested that that we update the Mining Journal Ad to include that we provide child care for the Sunday service. Rose said she would take care of it.

e. We set the date for the MUUC Annual Meeting for June 21, 2026 after the Sunday service.

f. Susan Urban suggested that w need a new mailing list service. She reported that Second Unitarian Service uses Constant Contact and shared the pricing monthly schedule with us.

g. It was also shared that the “No Kings” protest will be March 28, 2026. More information will be shared when we have more details.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm EST.

Moved by Susan Urban, seconded by Andrea Stader.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrea Stader, Secretary