

**Unity Center – Board of Trustees Minutes
May 7, 2007 - 6:30 p.m.**

Attendees: Keith Eble, President; Tom Wake, Vice President; Eileen Wood, Secretary; Mary Pitman, Member; Rev. Robin Reiter, Minister;

Opening Prayer: Rev. Robin Reiter opened the meeting with a prayer.

Check In: President Eble initiated the check in.

New business:

Ecuador Group: Donna, Joyce & Phil requested a meeting to discuss the upcoming Ecuador trip. Looking for toothbrushes, toothpaste, antibiotics, newborn baby caps, diaper cream; also 2 medically trained volunteers and money.

3 options: volunteers, designate money; designate supplies

Noble Purpose Project: it would be great if we could have the community contribute; open it up at the beginning of the church year. This is different than tithing; it is a gift; this is the seed to get it started for next year.

Ms. Armstrong motioned that we have a *Noble Purpose Project* for the Ecuador group and Mr. Wake 2nd the motion

Minutes: Minutes from the previous month's meeting were read and minor corrections were made. Ms. Pitman made a motion to accept the minutes as read with the revisions and Ms. Armstrong seconded the motion.

Old business:

Board members retreat: The date for the board members retreat weekend will be Sept 27-29 in Epcot Escape in Kissimmee

Prayer garden: no new developments Ms. Pitman offered to look into finding quotes from the local landscapers

Copy machine: we will be leasing the equipment rather than purchasing the equipment and will be cheaper

Treasurer's report:

The treasure's report was read and discussed. Robin's health fund was not funded correctly because we didn't have the funds. Pay the entire amount of \$6000 for 2007. The fellowship expenses have been fluctuating but we are \$12,000 in the positive and the love offering is high. Source income is up 77% from same time last year

Rev. Reiter presented the Attendance & Count Comparison report and the average attendance is 190 and the average offering is \$7389.00

Mr. Wake made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as read and it was seconded by Ms. Pitman

Regular items:

Rev. Robin requested a motion to remove her clause about the restriction of her 4 weeks vacation: Ms. Armstrong motion to honor Robin's request to remove the clause from her contract and Ms. Pitman seconded it; President Eble suggested that we make an exception rather than remove the paragraph for the contract; Mr. wake suggested that the request was in support of a healthy minister and that a request to get a regular person to take over when Robin's is not here. The motion was accepted and agreed upon.

Calendar – Eldric 5/13 @ 7:00, couples retreat 5/18-5/20; June 9th wellness fair; biggest community fair; vendors & crafts;

Staff kudos or concerns kudos to Brenda for helping with the May 5th weekend

Policy manual - meeting for the policy manual is being scheduled for this month

Music program – Mike gave a list to Ms. Pitman for advertising Willow School –all is well; had a great fundraiser pgm; get out of rent free from the church \$2500; motioned by Robin 2nd by Sharon Armstrong.

Motion accepted

Advertising – Ms. Pitman gave an update of the free advertising available to us. 0.30 per word for Horizon's

New business: Robin is redecorating her office; would like to hire Joan Johnson interiors @ \$9217 total cost. Ms. Armstrong motioned to accept the proposal and Ms. Pitman 2nd it. Motion accepted

Building Maintenance: All set. Final bid for ants; will pay lawn person for fertilizing.

Other business

Thank you from tithing recipients read by robin

Chairing & counting schedule

Chairing and counting for the month until the next board meeting was decided

Next meeting

The Board's next meeting will be held on Monday, June 11, 2007 at 6:30 in the church chapel

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.