

**UNITY CHURCH OF THE HILLS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Thursday, February 26, 2009
As provided by Acting Secretary, Jack Frick**

The meeting was held at 9905 Anderson Mill Road, Austin, Texas. Board members present: President Jim Skaggs, Vice President Mary Spangberg, Trustees Jack Frick, and Richard Johnson, Rev. Steve Bolen. Also in attendance was Director of Special Activities, Ellen Fannin. Excused absences were Cindy Rhea, Lynn Green and John Davidson. A quorum was present to conduct business. Jack Frick was requested to serve as Acting Secretary.

Opening Prayer: Meeting opened at 7:15 pm with prayer by Rev. Steve Bolen. The meeting start was delayed by 15 minutes so Rev. Bolen could address the Chaplains.

Minutes: January Board Minutes approved after discussion on wording regarding the Marketing Team activities. The clarification reads, "*Lynn suggested the development of a Team to explore marketing of the church and programs. He cited various possibilities the team could address. He would set up an exploratory meeting to determine the process by which this team would operate. The board agreed.*"

Financial Reporting and Status –Mary Spangberg:

- Review of January Financials. Results were positive.
- 655 adults & 125 youth average for January. Feb. has averaged 614 adults and 120 children .
- Mary Spangberg made a motion to accept the Auditor's Report and seconded by Steve Bolen. Motion carried and the Auditor's Report was accepted.
- Discussion held on staff compensation and timing. Guidance provided for Rev. Bolen.

Minister's Report – Steve Bolen:

- Steve distributed report from Linda Hancock.
- Good off-site staff meeting at the "Davidson Cabana."
- New members joined in January and reports provided 3 times a year. No weddings or memorial services reported.
- Chaplains losing 3 members and 10 new members coming on. Rev. Bolen covered highlights from the previous month and spoke to upcoming events.

Phase 1 Status Report – Jim Skaggs:

- President Jim Skaggs provided review of activities to date. Response to first expansion meeting held February 6 was not strong. Due to weak response the second meeting that was to be conducted on Sunday, March 15 was modified to an Expansion Plan Informational Meeting

which will be held on March 29. This is not anticipated to be a Congregational Meeting as provided in the by-laws therefore the title, Informational Meeting.

- A new survey will be distributed to members and friends of UCOH to determine current attitudes toward the Expansion Plan and get a feel for support or non-support.
- In order to accommodate the increasing attendance for the second service, the Remote Viewing project now takes on a more vital importance, especially if the expansion is delayed. While the need to accommodate more people for the second service is great, there does not appear to be a source of available funds for the video project. Making a fund raising effort for the remote viewing project could drain energy from the Expansion Plan if the will of the congregation is to proceed.
- President Skaggs came forth with a most generous offer to assist with the Remote Viewing project. To facilitate this effort, the following resolution made by Jack Frick and seconded by Mary Spangberg.

Move we accept the proposed remote viewing design presented by Richard Johnson and that the initial capability be implemented as rapidly as possible utilizing funds donated to UCOH by Jim Skaggs.

- The UCOH Board of Directors wish to thank Mills and Mary Spangberg for hosting the Expansion Meeting in their beautiful home on February 6. This event contributed to the fellowship and growth of our congregation and helped provide information regarding the new expansion plan. The efforts of Mills and Mary are so much appreciated not only for this event but for the many services they perform and provide for our church.

Closing Prayer: Steve Bolen closed the meeting with prayer at 8:50 P.M.

Cindy Rhea
Board Secretary