**Unitarian Church of Edmonton Board
Minutes of meeting of Sept. 23, 2023
Location: home of president Brandie Moller-Reid**

**Meeting started at 11:25 am.
Present**: President Brandie Moller-Reid, treasurer Andrew Mills, secretary Susan Ruttan, trustees Zoe Larsen, Gerard Hayduk and Marilyn Gaa. Also, Rev. Rosemary Morrison.
Absent: past-president Mike Keast, trustee Lynn Wolff.

**Agenda:** Moved bySusan, seconded by Andrew, that the agenda be approved. CARRIED.

**Minutes**: The Aug. 16, 2023 minutes were approved by email on June 25, moved by Zoe Larsen, seconded by Lynn Wolff.

**New Business**: The CUC has asked if our congregation will host the national youth conference, CanOOdle, next May 17-20. That is the weekend of Rev. Rosemary’s formal installation. About 50-60 youth and adult advisors would spend the weekend in our church. Biggest job for UCE volunteers would be providing all meals for those attending. Also, several adults to stay overnight with the youth, and people to transport attendees from and to the airport. UCE last hosted CanOOdle in 2017.
**Action**: Was not discussed. A decision is needed fairly soon.
MOTION Passed Sept. 29 by email: Moved by Brandie, seconded by Andrew, that the church host CanOOdle in 2024. Marilyn, Andrew, Zoe and Susan voted in favour.

**Human Resources Policy Manual:** Moved by Andrew, seconded by Zoe, that the revised manual be approved. CARRIED.

**REPORTS**

* **Finance**: Andrew outlined the Capital Spending Plan for 2023-24 that he has prepared. The plan outlines spending plans in two areas, church spaces and leased spaces. Spending categories are (a) urgent needs; (b) planned replacement spending; (c) discretionary spending; and (d) available funding.
Moved by Andrew, seconded by Zoe, that the Capital Spending Plan 2023-24 be approved. CARRIED.
*TASK*: Susan will apply to the Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis agency for permission to use casino money to fix the roof over our leased space.
*TASK:* Susan will contact the office of the Canadian Unitarian Council to see why we haven’t received an invoice for the CUC dues we haven’t paid since late last year. We need the invoice if we are to pay the dues out of casino money, which the AGLC has approved.
* Minister’s Report: written. The board discussed whether Rev. Morrison might be able to periodically join the Zoom people immediately after the Sunday service, so they could talk with her.
* New Members/Resignation: Moved by Andrew, seconded by Zoe, that the board approve the application for membership of Jones Harvey. CARRIED.
So far in 2023 we have approved eight new members: Lori Campbell, Clinton Ouderkirk (fiancé of Maria Jenkins), Declan Kiely, Myra Bielby, Grant Harlton, Beth Storheim, Eric Deneve and Jones Harvey.

**Closing words**: Rev. Morrison
Meeting adjourned. The annual retreat began.