

Minutes, Unitarian Church of Edmonton Board of Trustees

March 19, 2025 – 7:15 p.m. – on Zoom

Board members: president Lynne Turvey, vice president Sue Lynch, treasurer Andrew Mills, secretary Susan Ruttan, past president Brandie Moller-Reid, trustees Wendy Smith, Gerard Hayduk, Marilyn Gaa.

Rev. Rosemary Morrison, ex officio

Absent: Art Breier

Opening Words, Chalice Lighting: Rev. Morrison

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Andrew Mills, seconded by Brandie Moller-Reid, that the agenda be approved, with the addition of a report from the membership committee. Carried.

Minutes: Feb. 19, 2025 minutes were approved by email on Feb. 26.

March 19, 2025 minutes were approved March 21.

New Business

1. 2025-26 church budget. Treasurer Andrew Mills presented a draft budget that will be a balanced budget. **Moved** by Andrew, seconded by Susan Ruttan, that the board approve the budget. Carried unanimously.
The budget now goes to the annual meeting of the congregation for its approval.
2. Strategic planning:
Moved by Andrew Mills, seconded by Brandie Moller-Reid, that UCE start the process of strategic planning for the future of UCE.

Amendment moved by Sue Lynch, seconded by Susan Ruttan, that the Governance Advisory Team be asked to review the 2016 strategic plan and advise on next steps. Carried.

Motion, as amended: That UCE start the process of strategic planning for the future of UCE, and that the Governance Advisory Team be asked to review the 2016 strategic plan and advise on next steps. Carried.

Ongoing Business:

1. Volunteer recruitment update: a) Brandie is still looking for casino volunteers, particularly backup people. b) Andrew will begin his work as garage sale head with meetings this weekend. c) Susan and Lynne, who are acting as board recruitment people, are still looking for one candidate, who would be elected at the annual general meeting on May 4.

Reports:

1. Finance – Andrew Mills
2. Minister – Rev. Rosemary Morrison

3. Membership – Sue Lynch, board liaison to the Membership Team, reported that she has connected with Maida Zederayko, team lead. Sue will also talk with Brandie about her previous work on membership procedures.

New members/resignations: The board notes with regret the death of two long-time members, Dorothy Keeler and Beth Jenkins.

Moved by Susan, seconded by Sue, that we accept the resignation of five UCE members. These people will become friends of UCE. Carried.

Adjourn.

Next meeting: April 16, 2025
