

MINUTES, Unitarian Church of Edmonton Board of Trustees

May 21, 2025 – 7:15 p.m. – on Zoom

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

Absent: Marilyn Gaa, Art Breier, Rev. Rosemary Morrison

Approval of Agenda, with two changes: add a rental report by Susan, move the Next Meeting item to just after Reports. Moved by Brandi Moller-Reid, seconded by Sue Lynch. CARRIED.

Minutes: April 2025 minutes were approved by email on May 9.
May 2025 minutes were approved by email on May 27.

New Business:

1. Strategic Plan – Governance Advisory Team submission. Members discussed the team recommendations that a new strategic plan is overdue, and that a committee be established to begin planning the work.
Moved by Lynne Turvey, seconded by Susan Ruttan, that the board continue to support implementation of phase 2 of the 2016 strategic plan, by championing the work of UCE committees and teams, and to review outcomes of that work by the end of the 2025/26 church year to determine the need for a new strategic plan. CARRIED.
2. Membership Team Report – Sue Lynch, board liaison. Board members discussed the Membership Team report outlining their work to date and goals for the coming year, such as attracting new church members. Moved by Sue Lynch, seconded by Susan Ruttan, that the board endorse the Membership Team's goal of confirming 5 to 8 net new members for the 2025/26 year. CARRIED.

Ongoing Business:

Reports:

1. Finance – Treasurer Andrew Mills updated the board on finances, including a drop in member donations and a decline in garage sale revenue, and the challenge to raise \$12,000 in fundraising in the next fiscal year.
2. Rentals – Rentals chair Susan Ruttan reported that the church is losing two of its weekly renters and will be looking for replacements.

Next meeting: Members agreed to hold our next meeting on Saturday June 21 at 11 am, at the church. Outgoing and incoming board members will be invited. We will have quiche, fruit and muffins.

Adjourned.
