

MINUTES, Unitarian Church of Edmonton Board of Trustees

Sept. 17, 2025 – 7:15 p.m. – on Zoom

Board members present: president Lynne Turvey, vice president Sue Lynch, treasurer Andrew Mills (by phone), secretary Susan Ruttan, trustees Wendy Smith and Gerard Hayduk.

Rev. Rosemary Morrison, ex officio

Absent: Declan Kiely

Opening Words, Chalice Lighting: Rev. Morrison

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Susan, seconded by Sue. CARRIED.

Minutes: September 2025 minutes were approved by email on Sept. 22. One small fix: clarifying Treasurer's report.

New Business:

1. Proposal to house Genocide Memorial Garden stones. Audrey Brooks briefed the board on her idea of moving stones from her Genocide Memorial Garden to the front yard of the church.

The board decided that:

-- Lynne will contact Marilyn Gaa and her husband Jim to see if he would take photos of the garden at Audrey's house.

-- Board members Wendy Smith, Sue Lynch and Gerard Hayduk will meet to discuss various options for church involvement in Audrey's proposal, including possible costs. They will meet with Audrey to discuss the matter.

2. 2025/26 Board Goals – from Planning Retreat

Motion by Wendy, seconded by Gerard, as follows:

- 1) That the board goals for 2025/26 be carried forward from the 2024/25 goals, supporting and building on the achievements of the committees and teams who worked on them; and that a fourth goal be added.

- 2) That the 2025/26 board goals be as follows:

- To enhance financial sustainability by supporting increased fundraising initiatives
- To advance membership growth by encouraging opportunities for engagement and hospitality
- To revitalize both internal and external communication and marketing of UCE's many positive attributes
- To begin work on medium- to long-term planning starting with a five-year horizon and annual milestones

Motion CARRIED.

3. Fundraising Proposal - UCE 50/50 Raffle. Moved by Susan, seconded by Wendy, that the board approve work on this possible fundraiser to be done by two

Governance Task Team members, Karen Mills and Brandie Moller-Reid.
CARRIED.

Reports:

1. Finance – Andrew Mills – report submitted and explained.
2. Minister – Rev. Rosemary Morrison – no report

Closing words: Rev. Morrison

Adjourn.

Next meeting: October 15, 2025
