

Unity in Edinboro
Board Meeting
April 27, 2008

PRESENT: Dick Ropp, Caroll Boyer, Leona Bickel, Joseph Briggs

ABSENT: Rowland Proper, Jean Kimura

OTHER: Joanne Rowden

Meeting began with prayer at 9:05 a.m.

Minutes: JB/LB Unanimous

Financials: LB/JB Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS

1. House-Dick has a meeting with the prospective new tenant this afternoon. There is a small credit issue that the tenant had already revealed. However, in the past year she has been current on her obligations. Her income fits with the rent. The security deposit should have been 1 ½ times rent since she has pets. However, we only told her the security deposit was one month's rent. Dick will offer that we will reduce rent for first month if she is willing to paint the small room at the front of the house. Ray suggested that we need to sit down and talk with tenant about our expectations regarding the timely payment of rent, etc.
 - a. Tenant is responsible for shoveling front porch and walkway up to side of house.
 - b. Tenant has 2 parking spaces (including visitor parking). On Sunday we need the other remaining spots.
 - c. Trash removal must take place every Sunday evening for Monday trash collection. Tenant must recycle per Edinboro city ordinance. Trash cans and recycling containers are provided.
 - d. Landlord has the option to increase rent to cover additional utilities for a window air conditioner unit or a dryer.
2. Board Elections-Joe, Jean and Dennis have been talking with members. Ray Sammartino and Jim Aucutt have both agreed to have their names submitted for nomination. build
3. Mission Statement
 - a. The purpose of UIE is to promote a peace filled community where spiritual seekers are becoming deeply committed to awakening our oneness in God. **Motion: Accept mission statement as revised.** JB/CB Unanimous
4. Jean was not at the meeting. Tabled until next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Policy on eating at Fellowship if you have not attended service. Joanne suggested that we have a written policy on this as right now there are 2 conflicting implied policies regarding this issue which is creating conflict.

- a. Are we a soup kitchen? As a church we could develop a separate mission to create a way to feed the poor.
- b. Fellowship is an extension of the service.
- c. We can't pick and choose who can and can not come and eat.
- d. It may be through the fellowship that we make a difference in someone's life.
- e. It is encouraged that each of the board members take this issue and pray about it.
- f. We will further clarify next board meeting

2. Next phone call with Paula is on Wednesday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: May 25 at 9:00 a.m.