

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF CLEARWATER  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 20, 2010

Present: Sue Boone, Rev Abhi Janamanchi, Bill Norsworthy, Joanne Shrewsbury, Rev Nick, Ozuna, Carl Krave, Sylvia Scott, Lynette Wood, Rev Bill Welch, Nancy Warner, Cassie Alderman, Jefferson Taylor (by phone), Susan Hegner, Terry Stapleton

Call to order @ 7:05, Chalice Lighting & Reading, Sue Boone

Check in – Sue Boone requested each to speak briefly about their initial attraction to UUC and current needs:

Bill Norsworthy – had belonged to other UU congregations prior to UUC  
Joanne Shrewsbury – had also been a member of other UU congregations  
Rev Nick Ozuna – interning at UUC; need to further understanding of liberal religion  
Carl Krave – intellectual in PA, invited here by Mark Brandt,  
Sylvia Scott – tolerance  
Lynette Wood – life-long Unitarian, various congregations in various places, looking for friends – liberal  
Rev Bill Welch – 1984 attended Omega Institute – then looked for religious home – became UU minister; needs community, shared values, help people deepen commitment  
Nancy Warner – UU 1995 because of prejudiced boss – Annapolis, MD – now needs things on emotional intelligence level, inexpensive adult education  
Rev Abhi - needs a willingness from others to do the work of spiritual development  
Cassie – always against organized religion, married Catholic – has kids, wanted something else for them – came because of friend who heard a goddess sermon – working in RE has enriched her spiritual journey  
Susan Hegner – liked ceremony & community in church, was Church of England – came to UUs in US - UUC back in 70s – RE for her kids  
Jefferson Taylor – life long UU – liked meeting different people – drifted away, found how good it was, came back as a young father – wanted kids to learn how to be good people – needs to continue and broaden  
Sue Boone – Christianity wasn't working – found others who felt the same – meets emotional needs  
Dotti Doyle – came to UU for political/social action, needs that as well as spiritual growth  
Terry Stapleton – wants UUC to “stand on its own”.

Consent agenda:

1) Minutes from last meeting not available Sue B will send them out (Sylvia Scott had done them).

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2) Treasurer's Report – attached

Volunteer of the month – Nancy Warner Moved by Bill N., seconded by Dotti ,  
passed unanimously.

Membership census – for UUA - total 313

Motion to certify by Joanne, seconded by Nancy, passed unanimously

Green Sanctuary summary presented by Dotti. Action item next month for Board  
to support application for Green Sanctuary Accreditation. Final action to be  
presented to the congregation at the Annual Meeting.

Rev.Abhi's report – see copy

Highlights:

IARF conference

Pastoral counseling

Bring a Friend Sunday 2/14 - pancake breakfast, new members, "Standing on  
the Side of Love."

Rev Bill's report – see copy

Highlights:

Congregational Retreat in March

Growth of RE, possible use of portable classrooms

Calendar was reviewed:

- Welcome message – Feb: Jefferson/Cassie – back-up

March: Cassie

- Vagina Monologues on 2/5 @ Studio 620 in St Petersburg

- Theatre presentation on Thomas Jefferson at UUC on Thurs 3/18, Sat  
3/20, Sun 3/21

- FL District UUA Pres Roundtable 1/24 on Orlando – see Sue Boone for  
further information.

- Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Octagon in April

- FL District Assembly Miami April 9, 10, 11.

A brief Executive Session was held to confirm plans for the Town Hall meeting to  
be held on February 21, 2010.

Meeting adjourned following Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Dotti Doyle, Secretary

