

UUC Board Meeting Agenda
March 12, 2026
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We, the UUC Board, seek informed collaboration and clarity in our work of supporting UUC ministries. We interact with respect, trust, deep listening, and curiosity. We affirm one another, and maintain fierce dedication to diversity and inclusion in our commitment to the community we serve, recognizing experiences and perspectives from all.

We communicate directly and with courageous love. When it arises, we engage in productive conflict. We are focused, accountable, and authentic. We laugh together. We maintain the trust and confidentiality of board members' contributions and speak with one voice regarding board actions.

In attendance: Helen Renqvist, Rachel Craine, Joe Cooley, Chris Long, Andy Roberts, Cassy Kost, Wayne Neu, Rev. Pam Philips, Angie Burton

Recorder: Angie Burton

7:00 PM - 7:10 PM

- Chalice Lighting, Reading (Helen), Check-in
- Review and Accept Agenda Amended to include renting to political party
 - Motioned by Chris, Seconded by Cassie, Accepted unanimously.

7:10 PM - 7:15 PM

- Member Forum

7:15 PM - 7:35 PM

- Approve Consent Agenda - Motioned by Andy, Seconded by Wayne. Accepted
 - [Minister's Report](#)
 - [Administrator's Report](#)
 - Propose transitioning over to new database, Realm
 - Talking with us about database at next board meeting
 - [Director of Lifespan Faith Development's \(DLFD\) Report](#)
 - [Previous Meeting Minutes](#)
 - [Treasurer's Report](#)
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7:35 PM - 8:20 PM

- Old Business
 - Update on Strategic Plan – (Rachel)
 - [Has subcommittee formed questions?](#)
 - Survey questions presented to board
 - Listening circles in the future,
 - Ask for survey participants after Stewardship campaign, potentially offering prizes for those who participate in survey
 - No anonymous feedback
 - Multiple choice questions required
 - Board to respond to questions before reviewing at next board meeting
 - Isabel Berney Award, board made decision
 - Five nominees - all contribute enormously to the congregation

- Write letter to each nominator agreeing with them about extraordinary contributions from their nominee
 - Keep list of nominees and their nominators for future reference
 - Nominate again in future years
 - Update form next year to indicate nominators upload supporting documents, Email board with questions.
- Eagle Scout Project for Carter Parrish
 - Cost associated with this project?
 - Does Eagle Scout council allow accepting funds for service projects?
 - Form indicates funding from beneficiary is acceptable
 - Benefit to UUC
 - Joe to communicate modification of project, as well as donation to project amount
 - UUC to provide financial assistance for \$500
 - Motioned by Joe; seconded by Andy; accepted
- Call for General Assembly delegates
 - Need delegates before cost of registration goes up, end of April
 - Vote in April

8:20 PM - 8:40 PM

- New Business
 - Schedule joint budget meeting
 - 6pm, May 14 before board meeting
 - Annual, congregational meeting June 7, after service
 - Informational meeting May 24, after service
 - Update on Stewardship Campaign
 - Volunteers to be stewards
 - Contact Denise Martin or Maryanne
 - Training for stewards this Sunday
 - Newcomers Orientation
 - Canceled
 - Leadership Development Committee Report
 - Identified potential president elects, member at large
 - Ashley Dugan treasurer
 - A/V equipment reimbursement
 - Under warranty, only shipping cost
 - Review Karaoke Night
 - Reschedule this year?
 - Chris to check in with people who paid but didn't come to gauge interest
 - Renting to political party

8:40 PM - 8:40 PM

- Upcoming meetings or special events
 - Game Night this Sat
 - 3/22 Brunch

8:40 PM - 8:45 PM

- Check-out - Did we abide by our covenant? Yes, agreement.
 - Rev Pam will do the next meeting reading.

8:45 PM

- Adjourned. Extinguishing of the Chalice.