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First Unitarian Church of Des Moines

Board of Trustees Minutes

Thursday, January 6, 2021

In attendance (all via Zoom):

Board Members: LeeAnn Back, Scott Emison Clair, Reba Eagles, Chelsea Hayes, Andrea LeMeuse, Crystal Loving, Greg Nichols, Patty Notch, Fern Stewart,

Staff: Rev. Amy Petrie Shaw

Several church members also were in attendance.

Timekeeper: Andrea LeMeuse; Process Observer: Chelsea Hayes

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Board President Greg Nichols. The chalice was presented and a reflection was provided. Personal check-ins were made.

Executive and Administrative Items

Rev. Amy explained she had met with Jean Tauber, Art Committee, to review the potential focus of our values, in the gallery space, renamed Griffin Gallery at First Unitarian Church of Des Moines, with a commitment to young black and brown artists. It would be another means of getting people into our church building.

On another topic, they met with a small group of individuals aged 22-39 to discuss "What does young church looks like?" A variety of suggestions were made which included not a 9:30 service, but gathering for dinner, discussion of topics, values and ideas. Discussion with also be held with 60's and 70's church needs.

