

September 3, 2015

In attendance: Barbra Bartlett, Richard Schramm, Naomi Malik and Carol Egbert

### Welcoming Committee Minutes

Discussion: Committee Constitution was read aloud and discussed. Carol sought clarification regarding communication with the UUA as written in the constitution. Richard offered to “wordsmith” the sentence regarding communication with the UUA.

Action: Constitution was unanimously approved.

Discussion: Richard reviewed a list of current activities offered through the church as well as new possible activities. Carol noted that there is no easily way for members to get up to date information on the various committee activities and events. She suggested a bulletin board visible downstairs at coffee hour with a section for each committee that is continually updated and interactive. It was also proposed that a “what engages you” reflection to be incorporated into the Sunday Service. Other new events discussed included a multigenerational family night and a writing group.

Action: Carol will host a writing group after service for a few Sundays to see how it goes and contact the worship committee regarding the “what engages you” addition to the service. Naomi and Shoshana will work together to explore ideas for intergenerational, meaningful activities. We will all continue to develop our thoughts on how to better engage the church community on current activities as well brainstorming new event ideas.

Discussion: We discussed the possibility of moving the after service discussion to a table in the coffee hour room so people could casually wander over and join the discussion. We are also looking to change the name of this group to something a bit more catchy.

Action: Richard will arrange changing the location.

Discussion: Barbra mentioned that two meet and greet Wendy sessions will be held to give the community a chance to meet Wendy in a smaller more intimate setting not offered by larger gatherings.

Action: Sept 16th at 4:00 p.m. Barbra and (possibly Rick) will host. Sept.17th at 10:00 a.m. Richard (and possibly Polly) will host. Coffee and cookies will be served.

Discussion: Barbra showed us a copy of the welcoming brochure as well as the brochure used by another local church.

Action: Committee members will collect meaningful quotes, images, etc. that they would like to see included in the brochure.

