SUNDAY ASSEMBLY SACRAMENTO

Board of Trustees Meeting

Virtual via Zoom

Minutes – February 11, 2025

**Board members in attendance**: Nancy Sneed, David Noelle, Gregory Dilts, Emily Thompson, Becky Mark, Luisa Morco, Keith Stillmunkes

**Call to Order**: Meeting to order at 7:03 PM

**Opening Business:**

* **Emily** stated that we’re in a good financial situation. We brought in $122 this month. Sent $200 to LA fire victims. Current bank balance $2782.54, but that doesn’t include any funds in Givebutter.
* **Emily** proposed establishing a regular Zoom session for future assemblies. **Nancy** said that this past assembly was difficult without appropriate time to set up. Set as Agenda item for next session.
* **Becky** mentioned that having the Camp Omni folks was great for bringing activities for the kids. Nick and his crew from Camp Omni are always welcome.
* **Keith** mentioned how the Sunday Assembly USA members let us know that “Nonreligious” would be the preferred term over “Secular” when discussing the assembly. They apparently have data that shows that people respond much better to “nonreligious”.

**Action Items from Last Board Meeting:**

* **Nancy** confirmed that she had shared the list of board members and email contacts with the Sunday Assembly USA group.
* **Emily** will work on writing a thank you letter with our logo/letterhead to Paul for his large donation\*. We can use this format for future donations. She also confirmed that the receipt of his donation was returned to the executor of his nonprofit.

**Key Discussion:**

* **David** suggested a “consent calendar” to be included on agenda. He will coordinate with **Keith** to develop this for future agendas\*.
* **David** reviewed the bylaws and found them overall in good condition. He noticed some blank items and wanted to make an action item for the year to fill in those blanks in the policies and procedures\*.
* **David** raised concerns about who got to vote in elections. Per the bylaws, only “congregants” should be able to vote and the bylaws state how “congregant” is defined. Nancy suggested making the definition clear to the group before calling a vote. We would run on the honor system for voters.
* **Emily** mentioned that – per the bylaws – we need to publish the minutes of the board meetings. We will look at where and how we can publicize those.
* **David** asked for some clarification on others attending board meetings. He was concerned about others contributing and the delay that may have. We discussed clarifying that anyone is welcome to attend as a spectator, but if they wish to contribute, that we ask for them to forward us their questions in advance to be added to the agenda. It should be possible for the Zoom host to be able to mute participants if it does cause a distraction.
* **David** brought up how the group would like to handle growth. Do we want to keep it growing or are we comfortable with the current size? **Nancy** said that the Reason Center lease is coming up and through discussions with Tom, that the Reason Center may be moving locations. **Emily** pointed out that we currently rent the space for only $90 per month (Tom said that he would try and keep our rent low as long as possible) and that may change if we move. The issue of growth may need to be tabled until we have an answer on our future meeting location.
* **Nancy** mentioned that there is another group using the Reason Center before our Sunday Assembly and that they are now not clearing out until around 10:15. This is making it tricky to set up before the assembly. We can ask for more volunteers to help set up, due to the limited time.
* **Luisa** is working with David Diskin on Big Day of Giving and coordinating on how to get our group out there to seek donations. A Big Thank You Luisa!!
* **Luisa** thought it might be good to look at utilizing Google Workspace for our organization. The have special deals for nonprofits. She will work on a presentation of how this could work for our organization\*.
* **Keith** is in contact with a potential speaker for April\*. He should have a decision within the next week.
* **Emily** brought up whether SA can purchase a laptop. **Luisa** said that she might be able to locate a used one for free and she will investigate\*. **Emily** can put together a proposal for options for purchase\* if the used on doesn’t work out.

**Tabled Items for Future Meetings:**

* Nancy would like to discuss a new program committee.
* Luisa would like to discuss social media.

**Action Items denoted with an asterisk (\*)**

**Meeting Concluded:** 8:02 PM

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Respectfully Submitted,

*Keith Stillmunkes*

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Keith Stillmunkes, Secretary, 2/11/2025