

Minutes – October 2, 2010
Live Oak Board of Trustees Special Meeting
David & Lisa Fry's apartment

Board Members Present: Lisa Fry, Peter Hand, Vicky Jensen, Darlene Pagano, Ruby Reay
Guests Present: David Fry, Jay Roller

Called to order at 10:05 a.m. Peter read our vision statement and we lit the chalice.

The topic for this special meeting was to think about and discuss the possibility of engaging a part-time minister for Live Oak. There was no formal agenda, but Peter suggested we identify objectives, costs and benefits, risks, and process/mechanics.

After a very open and thoughtful discussion, the board decided this is not the time to bring on a regular part-time minister.

But we believe many in the fellowship would like to see Live Oak offer weekly worship services. We recognize it is important that we re-confirm this belief before moving forward.

Pending that confirmation, we propose:

- Offering weekly worship in the near future
- Continuing with our own Worship Leaders & Associates two Sundays a month
- Inviting a variety of ministers for the remaining Sundays (UU ministers and spiritual leaders from other faith traditions)
- Intentionally creating more theological and spiritual diversity through these speakers

After identifying some concerns (e.g., needing an expanded worship committee, someone to coordinate the extra Sundays), the board decided the next step is to take the pulse of the congregation to see if moving to weekly worship is, indeed, still a priority. If that is the case, we might suggest a congregational meeting focused on worship (as we did once before) to gather wisdom from as many of our members and friends as is possible.

The meeting adjourned a little before noon.