

# Tucson Center for Spiritual Living

Board Meeting Reports / Minutes

April 2, 2009

Call to Order: 6:00pm

Evocation & High Watch: Gloria Graham

Board Attendees: Mark F., Rev. Donald, Jim W., Jane A.

Absent: Kay P., Don P.

Guests: Dawn S.

## Visioning

### **What is the Highest Vision or Highest Ideal for Tucson Center for Spiritual Living?**

Prosperous, committed members, dedication to community, growth, balance, community throughout Tucson, importance, values, brilliant light, dazzling, each one-each person, "as goes the one, so go the many."

### **What changes, evolves or becomes, in support of this highest vision?**

Congregational growth, inclusion, flexibility, a new picture or way of being, honor, all One, ego and emotion always secondary to the One, growth in all ways in all areas.

## Secretary's Report – Jane Austin

Minutes from March 5, 2009 meeting corrected online and accepted.

## Treasurer's Report – Don Poore

### Monthly Financials:

	3-Month Avg. (J. F. M)	March		Actual YTD (Jan.-Mar.)
		(Actual)	(Budget)	
Sunday Offerings	\$11,671	\$17,270	\$ 8,990	\$35,013
Total Income	\$14,175	\$18,591	\$10,157	\$42,526
Total Expenses	\$12,785	\$12,440	\$ 9,785	\$38,360
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 1,389</b>	<b>\$ 6,152</b>	<b>\$ 372</b>	<b>\$ 4,166</b>

### Cash Balances:

	Jan. 30	Feb. 28	March 31
Checking	\$ 3,309	\$ 605	\$ 6,516
Education Fund	\$ 4,107	\$ 797	\$ 890
Savings	\$16,258	\$ 8,154	\$ 8,154
Building CD	----	\$10,000	\$10,025
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,674</b>	<b>\$23,674</b>	<b>\$25,585</b>

### Comments:

- Sunday offerings of \$17,484 reflect the results of the 5 Gifts Prosperity Program. As might be expected from this we had a large (record?) net income of \$6,152 for the

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month. We were able to obtain this amount of income even though we had some large expenses which included:

- \$ 350 for the storage shed at the Kiva
- \$1,248 for Rev. D's conference lodging and registration fees
- \$ 793 for printing for the 5 Gifts program
- We also had the benefit of Southwest Gas applying our security deposit to our monthly gas bill, thus no expenses for gas for March, and probably April.
- Obviously our members are really getting behind our 5 Gifts program, not only financially but personally as well.

### **Stewardship Core**

- This month's Charitable Giving (from March's income) goes to EMERGE!, and next month's goes to Sunstone.

### **Chair's Report – Mark Flint**

#### **Old Business (Action Items from last meeting):**

Names of volunteers (by team) being sent to Jim W.

Kevin has been asked to prepare an outline of responsibilities.

Storage unit purchased and assembled by Kevin Brown and Jim Ward and placed in Kiva.

Pay Webmaster.

### **CSL's Report – Rev. Donald Graves**

#### **Non-Certificated Classes:**

- "Religions" will complete on 4/8, with 5 people finishing.
- "5 GIFTS" seems to be working. Checked in with the facilitators on Sunday afternoon, March 22, and will check in again, Sunday 4/19.

#### **Guest Speakers / Seminar Leaders & Special Services / Events:**

Garland Landrith will be in town May 3 & 4, and he will present on Sunday and offer workshops Sunday and Monday evening.

#### **Youth:**

Phyllis Grimes are meeting to discuss Youth needs. Diana Tolton has stepped forward to assist with the youth coordination.

#### **Community Outreach & Inreach:**

- Transition Team has begun meeting, with huge excitement. Will begin to develop plan for unfoldment of the blending of UCSL and ICSL in Tucson, AZ next week, Tuesday, 6:30pm.
- James Ray coming to Tucson, April 15, for a FREE, Live Event.

**Action:** Approve promotion on Sundays.

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- Jesse Schwatzburg Events is offering a discounted event for Scott Silverman to speak and promote his book, *I Dare You: A Guide for Living a Heroic Life*. (Flyer and information provided at the meeting.)

**Action:** Discuss and determine if appropriate or not.

- Spiritual Cinema – Catherine Friederick is ready to roll, as soon as we give her the go-ahead to begin showing movies once a month.

**Action:** Discuss and pick a start date.

- Business Directory – Dennis Eaves, Phyllis Kasterkoff and Karen King have been discussing the directory, and how to further its development and exposure.

### **Music:**

David would like to schedule the Talent Show as soon as possible after prosperity campaign completes. He and I have discussed it, and that it might be good entertainment for the Prosperity Banquet. I will hook up Kay and David to discuss.

### **Upcoming Travel:**

UCSL Minister's Convocation, Coeur d'Alene, ID – departing Thursday, 5/14; returning, Saturday, 5/23. Rev Tony Bonaccorso will fill the pulpit on Sunday, 5/17.

### **Website:**

- Babette reviewed our website and submitted several suggestions. Copies of the extensive input will be available at the meeting.
- In addition, the new CSL Branding recommends a change to the overall website presence, complete with a logo change.
- It has been suggested to .pdf the Sunday Message quotes for people to access on the website.

### **Action:**

- Discuss Babette's suggestions.
- Discuss development and implementation of a Website Core and plan.
- Determine a process by which to make Sunday quotes available on the website.

### **Ecclesiastical Core:**

Have invited the ICSL Practitioners to join TCSL's in meeting together. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 4/7.

### **Other:**

- Because of the Prosperity Campaign, the Funding Team requested two calendar changes: (1) postpone "Principles of Financial Freedom" and (2) move the Spring Event to the Fall, and then to the Spring of 2010, so the Prosperity Campaign could be better located during the Fall. This change was appropriate, given the situation. At the same time, Kathy Belk and Barbara Harris had invested in the promotions for the "Principles..." class, and all proceeds were intended for the MOP. Kathy has asked that in exchange, \$350 be directed toward the MOP fund for Practitioner Training and Retreats.

**Action:** Approve directing of \$350 to the MOP fund, for training and retreats, after the prosperity campaign completes.

- Aman Motwane was going to be handled by the Spring (then Fall, then Spring) Event team, but now will fall upon the Prosperity Team to handle. Will discuss at the next Funding Team meeting, Tuesday, 4/13.

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- Received a letter from Terry and Susanna McClure (our landlords), asking us to pick up the security alarm service. It is their memory that we said we would do so.

**Action:** Determine what “wants to be done.”

## **Visioning Core Report – Rev Donald**

None

## **Membership Report**

Great meeting. Table at Sunday Service going smoothly. Ron and Gloria are making process map for membership development track. Next meeting: April 23, 5:45.

## **Administration Report—Dawn**

Dawn’s new hours: Tues/Thurs 11:00-3:00. Thursdays from 11:00 to 3:00 no meetings will be held at the Office.

Dawn presented on time constraints and tasks being asked of her role. Board requested written summary with tasks/time. Discussed using volunteers now to assume more tasks, such as bulletins.

## **Marketing Report – Kay Prince**

- None

## **Facility Report –**

- None

Board discussed need for plan when different site/location is needed for Sunday Services. Jim and Kevin to work on plan. See “To Do” list.

## **New Business**

- **Sound Board and Speaker Stands**

Board agreed to purchase new stands. See “To Do” List

- **Board Retreat**

Lack of time for Sweat Lodge. Will continue to investigate for future.

- **Board Covenant, Philosophy & Value Statement**

Will discuss on-line and decide via email.

- **James Ray Sunday Promotion**

Internal advertising. Place in Bulletin or on Community Activities Table.

- **Scott Silverberg Promotion**

Time conflict. No, for now.

- **Website**

Babette reviewed site. No changes recommended until the blending with CSL-SoAZ completed. More in-depth analysis is expensive and will be considered later.

- **MOP fund request**

Money, \$350, from Econ. Freedom class that was cancelled will be applied to fund for Practitioners’ retreats or further education.

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- **Security Alarm Service**

Contact Service to cancel if not required in lease. See "To Do" List.

- **Integration with CSL-SoAZ**

Transition meetings going well. More later.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:50pm

**Benediction:** Gloria Graham RScP

## Summary of Action Items

<u>Description</u>	<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Due</u>
• Send email to Core Chairpersons re: Vol. lists	Rev. Donald/Mark	May Mtg.
• Review and input to Vol. folder on yahoo	All Bd. Members	May Mtg.
• Meet with Phyllis	Rev. Donald	4-17
• Update Kay P. on To Do lists	Jane	4-10
• Compile Admin. tasks, including time req.	Dawn	4-3
• Arrange office vol. for bulletins; contact Dennis	Dawn	4-10
• Purchase speaker stands; contact Rick/Don P.	Mark	4-3
• Coord. Agenda & Minutes; address Yahoo issues	Mark/Jane	4-17
• Contact sweat lodges	Rev. Don/Jane	May Mtg.
• Contact Catherine F.	Rev. Don	May Mtg.
• Review Changes in Usher procedures/Web	Jim	May Mtg.
• Place Kiva set-up instructions on Storage Door	Jim	4-17
• Place 2 <sup>nd</sup> copy of Kiva set-up in CIAB Notebk	Jim	4-17
• Update Don P. re: \$350 for Practicioners & alarm	Rev. Donald	4-17
• Contact Terry re: received alarm message	Rev. Donald	4-10
• Locate rental lease;contact alm co. & infor owners	Don P.	May Mtg.
• Complete Bd. discuss. via email re: C/P/Values	Mark	May Mtg.
• Ensure all functioning in Yahoo	Mark	May Mtg.
• Devise plan & procedure for alter. church location	Jim/Kevin	May Mtg.
• Complete planning for Daniel Na.	Rev. Don/Kay	April 10
• Report on Webmaster payment	Rev. Don/Don	May Mtg.

Respectfully Submitted By,

**Jane Austin**  
**Board Secretary**