

# Tucson Center for Spiritual Living

Board Meeting Reports / Minutes

May 13, 2009

Call to Order: 6:00pm

Evocation & High Watch: Barbara Harris

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

Absent: None

Guests: Rev Gerri Harrison, Bill A., Judy C., Bobbi N., Rev Roger Harrison Ro Hollingsworth, Rev Ray Hollingsworth, Britt Mbuthia, Kathy Belk

## Visioning

**\*What is the Highest Vision or Highest Ideal for Tucson Center for Spiritual Living?** Each steps up and models the message; none leaves self behind, a bright burning beacon, joy, firework, celebration, excitement, community of love and spiritual guidance, shimmering gold energy, many voices-one sound, encompass, strong joyful connection, growth that is unlimited, support from the community, growth of harmony and understanding within the community, transparency, pride, there are no limits, brown grass, all roads lead to TCSL, looking forward, appreciation, cooperation, community, a place of renewal and growth.

**\*What changes, evolves or becomes, in support of this highest vision?** A "stepping up" place, The Great one, we become one and continue expanding the love of God's truth, power, beauty and joy to those unaware and hungry for the truth, melting and becoming one, a collective effort to inspire, all reach out to the community and beyond, outreach, church bldg on a grassy hill, be open, acceptance, new people-new ideas-new home, iceberg, renewal, merging, new facility/bldg.

**\*Anything Else?:** I am evolved already(bumper sticker), we stay open at the top, joy, go forward in peace and understanding, keep looking forward, surrender what was, sparking with co-creation, it's not what we do—it's how we do love, happiness, moving forward passionately, communication.

## Secretary's Report – Jane Austin

- Minutes from April 2, 2009 meeting corrected online and accepted.
- Reviewed "To Do" List from April Board Meeting. Carried over items not completed.

## Treasurer's Report – Don Poore

### Budget Report:

(none)

### Monthly Financials:

	3-Month Avg. (F, M,A)	<u>April</u> (Actual) (Budget)		<u>Actual</u> YTD (Jan.-April)
Sunday Offerings	\$15,667	\$20,952	\$ 8,990	\$55,465
Total Income	\$17,231	\$22,633	\$10,157	\$65,159

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Total Expenses	<u>\$14,914</u>	<u>\$18,761</u>	<u>\$ 9,785</u>	<u>\$57,121</u>
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 2,317	\$ 3,872	\$ 372	\$ 8,078

### Cash Balances:

	<u>Feb. 28</u>	<u>March 31</u>	<u>April 30</u>
Checking	\$ 605	\$ 6,516	\$10,045
Education Fund	\$ 797	\$ 890	\$ 1,248
Savings	\$ 8,154	\$ 8,154	\$ 8,655
Building CD	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,031</u>
TOTAL	\$19,556	\$25,585	\$29,979

### Comments:

- The 5 Gifts program continued to be reflected in the April Sunday offerings with a record amount of \$20,952 being generously given by our congregation. This in turn more than covered our expenses for April which included the costs of the 5 Gifts books and the wonderful, fabulous (thanks Kay) celebration dinner. The Bookstore continued to sell more books thanks to the dedicated effort of Sherrie Fredrickson.

### Stewardship Core

- This month's Charitable Giving goes to EMERGE!, and next month's goes to Sunstone.

## CSL's Report – Rev. Donald Graves

### Certificated Classes:

- Practitioner I completed 5/11. "Power of Your Word" began Tuesday, 5/5, and "Foundations" begins Wednesday, 5/27. Visioning (a 4wk version, specifically designed with the leadership in mind) begins Monday, 6/15, with Gloria Graham, RScP teaching it.

### Non-Certificated Classes:

- "World's Religions" completed 4/15, with 4 people finishing.

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

- Garland Landrith – Sunday & Monday, 5/3 & 4. 28 people attended his Sunday workshop and 35 attended the Monday evening workshop. Most in attendance were NOT from our Center. Garland received 60% of the gross, which amounted to ~\$1135, with TCSL receiving ~\$605, after his \$150 Sunday honorarium (already given to him).
- Tony Bonaccorso will guest speak 5/17, while I am at Ministers' CONVO.
- Rev Gerri Harrison (CSLSOAZ) will speak for us on June 7, and her folks will join her.

### Youth:

- Recommendation: Youth as the focus on the next Vision Core session – It's time to aggressively dedicate ourselves to the youth for our community and to strengthen our Youth Program. Focus of the visioning might include: Structure of new program; Training and support of facilitators; Marketing to the larger, Tucson community.

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- Phyllis Grimes, Ruth Ward, Judy Houlihan and Diana Tolton met to discuss an idea for a Summer Series for the Youth. The idea is a "Trip Around the World". Details are still forthcoming, but they will figure out what will work best and let me know.
- Kevin & Monika McGinnis have volunteered to design a Youth and Family Ministry program, and will begin the exercise in the next couple of weeks.

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

- Rev D attended a Rotary meeting, May 1<sup>st</sup> as Robert Grant's guest, and attended another May 8<sup>th</sup> on his own. This may be a valid and viable community service organization these people are "doer's".

### **Music:**

- Daniel Nahmod had 18 people at his concert, and two were "comp'd" by Daniel.

### **Upcoming Travel:**

- UCSL Minister's Convocation, Coeur d-Alene, ID, leaving Thursday, 5/14, returning Saturday, 5/23. Rev Tony will cover Sunday Service.

### **Website:**

- Recommend development of a Communications Core, which would combine Marketing, website, brochures and all branding/organizational image "stuff".
- Ray Bunch is doing a great job of loading updates. As part of the blending with ICSL, we'll re-evaluate our website so that it's in line with UCSL's branding model and make any changes as part of the process. At this point, Center for Spiritual Living – Tucson, will most likely become our new name. I have requested a new logo from Ray & Marty (his wife). Marty is the graphics person of the duo.

### **Ecclesiastical Core:**

- In the process of developing a Practitioner Core, where Professional Practitioners can meet without their "Fearless" Leader, the CSL. The ICSL Practitioners have been invited to participate, too, and will attend a social together on 5/15 at the Office.

### **CSL Emerge Team:**

- Action items have been developed and the last meeting was Thursday, 5/7, 6:30pm at our Office & Education Center. Next meeting Thursday, June 4, 6:30pm.
- Rev Gerri and Rev D met and agreed for her to do TCSL's Sunday Service, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, Rev D impressed the importance of the CSLSoAZ folks getting involved in the teams we have set up, so their voice gets heard as we create this "new whatever". CSLSoAZ Board will join us for our Board meeting this month.

### **Vision Core:**

Last visioning session began with a discussion about participation and acknowledgements. So, we visioned on honoring participation. Next session will focus on Youth.

### **Other:**

- Rev D has taken on a Mentor/Mentee relationship with a Ministerial student in Denver.

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- Gary Simmons workshop, "Thriving Ministry Model" in Phoenix, May 22 & 23.
- Board Covenant discussion

## **Membership Report—Flo**

- None

## **Administration Report—Dawn**

- None

## **Marketing Report – Kay Prince**

- None

## **Facility Report – Jim Ward**

- None

## **New Business**

- **Discovery Pathway (Membership Core)**

Board in agreement with Team Leader and Elected Leader requirements. Further work needed on Member and Voting Member requirements. Placed on "To Do" List.

- **Volunteer Management & Cores/Teams**

Diana Tolton, Mark, and Rev. Donald met. Diana to set up "sacred service" list.

- **Events Core**

Mark to continue working on organizing this Core and Communications.

- **Contributed piano**

Piano to stay with a New thought Church if not used by TCSL. Cost of transporting was \$195. Requesting reimbursement to Rob Lawson.

- **DEX block ad & new Logo**

- **Covenant, Philosophy & Value Statement**

Agreed to do via email.

- **Transition with ICSSL**

Emerge Team continuing to do good work. Finance accounts to be kept separate. New name being discussed, and at this point, Center for Spiritual Living – Tucson seems likely.

**Next Meeting, June 1, 5:00pm potluck, 6:00pm business meeting**

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:30pm**

**Benediction: Barbara Harris**

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## **Summary of Action Items**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Due</u>
• Send Garland balance (\$1135.00)	Don P.	June Mtg.
• Set up extra 30 chairs Sunday Morning (6/7 on)	Jim W.	Sundays
• Prepare additional bulletins (6/7 on)	Rev. Don/Dawn	Sundays
• Add "Youth" to Vision Core agenda	Rev. Don	June Mtg
• Send email to Core Chairpersons re: Vol Lists	Rev. Don/Mark	June Mtg
• Arrange office vol. for bulletins	Rev. Don/Dawn	June Mtg
• Market all guest musicians	Kay P.	ongoing
• Obtain mailing address for Daniel N.'s check	Don P.	June Mtg
• Put out call for Communications Core	Kay P.	June Mtg.
• Consider attending Gary Simmons Workshop	Bd. Members	May 22 & 23
• Email Counting schedule to Bd. Members	Kay	June
• 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
• Vol. names from "Sacred Service" compiled	Rev. D/Mark/Diane T.	June Mtg.
• "Sacred Service" cards distributed at ICSSL	Rev. Gerri	June Mtg.
• Contact Bookstore re: Love offering for CD's	Rev. Don	June Mtg.
• Complete Bd. discuss. via email re: C/P/Values	Mark	June Mtg.
• Ensure all functioning in Yahoo	Mark	ongoing
• Devise plan & procedure for alter. church location	Jim/Kevin	June Mtg.
• Discovery Pathway revision and share with Membership Core	Rev. D/Judy	June Mtg.
• Report on Webmaster payment	Rev. Don/Don	June Mtg.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Jane Austin  
Board Secretary