



**Board of Trustees
Minutes and Board Reports
February 15, 2018**

Item	Presenter	Duration
1. CALL TO ORDER AND EVOCATION	LEAH HAMILTON/CARLA HODGE	5 MIN
2. VISIONING	CARLA HODGE	15 MIN
3. CHECKING IN	ALL	10 MIN
4. KNOWING LOVE EXERCISE	RENEE' MEZZONE	5 MIN
5. LAST MONTH'S MINUTES	ALREADY ELECTRONICALLY APPROVED & POSTED	0 MIN
6. CALL TO AUDIENCE	LEAH	1 MIN
<i>This time provides an opportunity for audience members to bring topics to the board's attention for future agendas. Topics raised during Call to Audience will not be acted on at this meeting. Audience members are asked to keep their comments to no more than three minutes.</i>		
7. FINANCE/STEWARDSHIP REPORT	RENEE', TREASURER	15 MIN
8. REVIEW OLD BUSINESS ITEMS		
a. FACILITY UPDATE	DICK LAIRD	2 MIN
b. MAJOR GOAL CHECK-IN/DASHBOARD	ALL	5 MIN
c. NEXT STEPS FOR CONSOLIDATED CAMPUS?	DICK	2 MIN
d. GOURMETS FOR GOD STATUS UPDATE	REV JANIS	2 MIN
e. SOM MAGAZINE SUBSCRIBERS	MARIANN MOERY	2 MIN
f. EBAY FUNDRAISER STATUS	SHEILA CAMPBELL	5 MIN
g. HOUSE CONCERT 1/26	REV J	2 MIN
h. STATUS OF SPRING MUSIC EVENT	REV J	2 MIN
i. 2018 INTENTION SETTING RETREAT	REV J	5 MIN
j. PIANO IN GREEN VALLEY	PAT MASTERS	
k. RENEWING LEASE AT TGS	REV JANIS/ALL	
9. REVIEW TEAM REPORTS		
10. NEW BUSINESS FOR THIS MEETING	ALL	
A. THE 2017-2018 PLANNING CYCLE	ALL	5 MIN
B. PLANNING MEETING AGENDA	ALL	1 MIN
C. DISCUSSION: BUILDING OUR OWN OR REFURBISHING...	DICK/ALL	5 MIN
D. YOUTH 'CHURCH' OR BABYSITTING	REV J	3 MIN
E. ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS FOR THIS MEETING?	ALL	5 MIN
<u>IN PARKING LOT/DEFERRED/TABLED:</u>		
STATUS OF PIANO IN GREEN VALLEY	REV J	
YOUTH MINISTRY	SHEILA	
CLASS ON CONSENSUS DECISION MAKING	REV J	
RENEWING LEASE @ TGS	REV J	
TRAINING FOR HEART CIRCLES		WHEN AVAILABLE
BOARD TEAM BUILDING RETREAT - TO WHOM DOES THIS BELONG? (FULL DAY, BUILD AGENDA)		
WHOLE MINISTRY REVIEW/E-SURVEY?	TBD/REV J	DEFERRED
DECISION ABOUT 'BIG' SPRING 2018(MARCH/APRIL) SPEAKER OR MUSICIAN		
STORAGE FOR SECOND GRAND PIANO (AT PAT MASTERS' HOUSE)		
11. NEW BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING	ALL	5 MIN

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12. SIX MONTH LOOK AHEAD ON CALENDAR	ALL	5 MIN
13. GRATITUDES	ALL	5 MIN
14. NEXT BOARD MEETING	ALL	0 MIN
15. BOARD SOCIAL/PLANNING MEETING	ALL	2 MIN
16. REVIEW CIAB SCHEDULE	ALL	5 MIN
17. LEAD NEWSLETTER ARTICLES	ALL	2 MIN
18. ADJOURN AND PRAY OUT		

IN ATTENDANCE: Rev. Janis, Pat Masters, Renee' Mezzone, Dick Laird, Sheila Campbell, Mariann Moery, Leah Hamilton

ABSENT: N/A

IN SERVICE: Carla Hodge (High Watch), Leah Hamilton (Scribe)

GUESTS: Britt Mbuthia

1. CALL TO ORDER/EVOCATION

6:30PM

2. VISIONING

Q: What is the Highest Vision or Highest Ideal for Center for Spiritual Living Tucson?

A: Popcorn out of a haystack, a circle of people holding hands around a great light, highest education, staying true, newness, theater in the half-round with a raised platform in the center, a soft white pillow, flag flying in a high breeze, a gift.

Q: What changes, evolves, or becomes as this highest vision comes into existence?

A: Open the gate! It's simple actually. Space. A shift in relationship with time, growth, growth unrestrained by fear or tradition, there is a new/different way, expectations, gardens with abundant plants, flowers, vegetables cascading, road map materializes, a plan, railroad tracks going off into the distance.

Q: Is there anything else that wants to be known, understood, or realized? What else?

A: Image of a lighthouse in calm waters on a sunny day, open gate in a wooden fence, openness, not forced, go out-extend, wide open doors-opening into a sanctuary or hall, prosper.

3. CHECKING IN

ALL

4. KNOWING LOVE EXERCISE

RENEE

Action: Pat volunteers for the Knowing Love Exercise for the March meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES (ELECTRONICALLY APPROVED ALREADY)

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6. CALL TO AUDIENCE

LEAH

Britt Mbuthia brought candy and suggestions for how the congregation should be consulted for opinions on use of the Center's property.

7. FINANCE/STEWARDSHIP REPORT

RENEE'

Executive Summary: January contributions were up, supported by a generous extraordinary contribution. We choose to believe we have turned a corner, attendance is rising.

The Board has agreed to sustain and hold the vision of \$3,000 or more/Sunday in each week's contributions, this allows us financial stability, and give us greater latitude in moving forward on making use of our property on 22nd Street.

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	Total Sunday Offerings & P+II	New Designated Monies	Total Income*	Total Expenses*	Net Income*	Per Weekly Attendee	Avg Wkly Attendance
January	\$ 13,247	40	15,274	11,729	3,545	46.98	71
December	\$ 15,000	0	16,231	13,079	3,152	42.36	69
November	\$ 7,981	0	9,447	9,880	<433>	31.30	64
October	\$ 13,201	1,500	14,904	12,853	2,071	50.39	62

* Presently we have a stand-alone Facility Fund, a Music (choir) fund, a NewComers' Team fund (depleted in January with the purchase of new guest bags) and a Compassionate Heart fund. All are designated and are not considered as part of Total Income or Total Expenses.

<u>Cash Balances</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>October</u>
General Ops Checking	\$ 10,870	5,840	5,233	4,477
Educ. (Savings) Fund	\$ 4,861	3,813	3,729	3,485
(Operating) Savings	\$ 2,051	2,051	2,051	2,051
Practitioners' Savings	\$ 751	711	711	711
Designated Holdings (Music)	\$ 0	0	0	0
SubTotal	\$ 14,133	12,415	11,724	10,724
Facility Fund Savings	\$ 20,175	20,175	20,175	20,175
Facility Fund Invest. Acct	\$ 0	0	0	0
Total	\$ 34,308	32,590	31,899	30,899

Comparison between January 2017 and January 2018:

Attendance/Sunday	DE creased by	16
Offerings/Month	DE creased by	\$ 344
Offering/person/Sunday	IN creased by	\$ 15.53
Total Income	DE creased by	\$ 410
Expenses	DE creased by	\$ 4,187
Net Income	IN creased by	\$ 3,777 (January 2017 was slightly negative)

January 2017 was a 5-Sunday month, we had an in-house concert after Sunday services in support of those attending PosiFest, Rev Donald announced his retirement the second Sunday of January and his last Sunday was the 29th. Rev Janis stepped up as Spiritual Leader on the 30th.

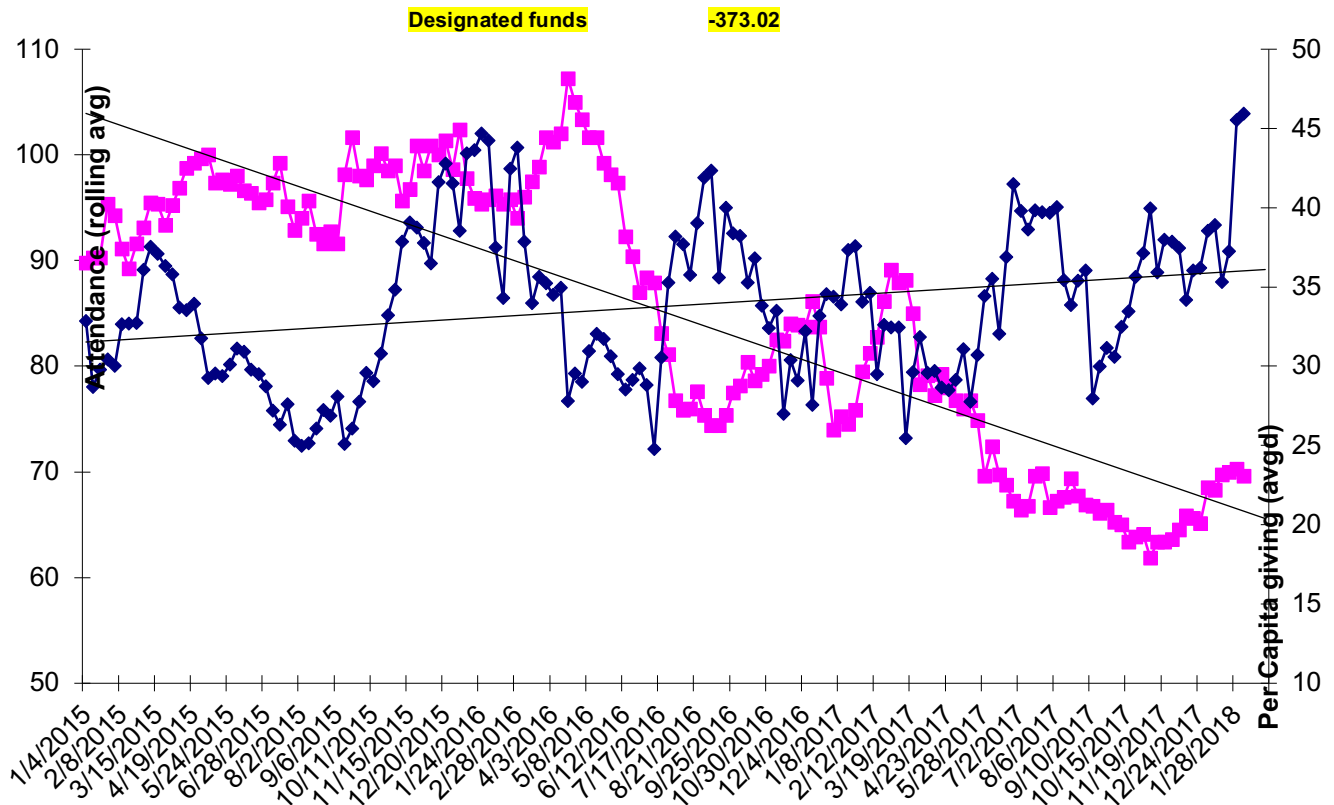
Budget, Income and Actual Expenditures

	<u>Jan 2018</u>	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Income		
40101 Sunday Offerings	11,871.23	8,500.00
40110 Online Contri	1,375.62	2,500.00
40120 Other Donations		80.00
43101 Facility Rental Income	33.00	115.00
44010 Fundraising		
44020 Fundraiser Income	120.00	
Total 44010 Fundraising	\$ 120.00	\$ 0.00
45010 Interest / Dividend Income	0.21	
Total Income	\$ 13,400.06	\$ 11,195.00

Expenses

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Total 00 ADMINISTRATION	\$ 5,745.57	\$ 6,555.00
Total 02 MINISTER COMPENSATION	\$ 1,809.95	\$ 1,725.00
Total 03 MUSIC EXPENSE	\$ 1,760.00	\$ 1,852.00
Total 04 MINISTRY EXPENSE	\$ 32.58	\$ 140.00
Total 05 SUNDAY SERVICE EXP	\$ 200.00	\$ 270.00
TITHING/Charitable Giving Total	\$ 1,324.62	\$ 1,100.00
Total 07 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EXP	\$ 495.00	\$ 1,500.00
Total Expenses	\$ 10,043.10	\$ 13,142.00
Net Operating Income	\$ 3,356.96	\$ <1,947.00>
Other Income		
Total 81000 EDUCATION REV	\$ 36.60	\$ 420.00
Total 83010 SPECIAL EVENT INC.	\$ 245.00	\$ 0.00
Total 83110 SPECIAL EVENT EXP.	-\$ 196.00	\$ 0.00
Total 83000 SPECIAL EVENT REVENUE	\$ 49.00	\$ 0.00
Total 84110 NewComers Rev	-\$ 413.02	\$ 0.00
Total 84200 SPIRITUAL CINEMA REVENUE	\$ 24.00	\$ 17.00
Total 84700 Practitioner Fund (MOP)	\$ 40.00	\$ 0.00
Total 85000 Bookstore Revenue	\$ 78.55	\$ 100.00
Total Other Income (less designated)	\$ 188.15	\$ 537.00
Net Other Income	\$ 88.15	\$ 537.00
Net Income	\$ 3,545.11	\$ <1,410.00>



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Status of the CSLT Facility Fund

Facility Fund Investment Acct Deposits: Initial Deposit \$50,000 (Nov12), Deposit \$10,236 (Mar13). Deposit \$15,188 (Dec13). Investment Account closed December 2016 to purchase raw land at 4961 E. 22nd St.

Date	CSLT Contributions	Various Projects & Interest	Personal Donations	\$ Total
Year End 2009				29,365
Year End 2010				48,710
Year End 2011				70,361
Year End 2012	6,800	1,045	1,430	79,636
Matching Fund Reserves			2,900	
Year End 2013 (Inspection)	<1,800>	4,780	3,327	88,843
Year End 2014	<600>	1,789	25,884	115,936
Year End 2015 (Moved to R.Rd)	<5,223>	<1,786>	7,109	116,027
Year End 2016 (Purchased land)	<102,024>	2,068	2,440	18,511
Year End 2017 (InvAcctClosed.)		164	1,500	20,175
January 2018				20,175

Discussion continues around economics of hiring an office administrator. Until CSL Tucson can sustain \$12,000/month we do not have funds available to have paid office staff. Volunteers continue to assist with office tasks, the remaining duties are not terribly time consuming.

Submitted, Renee' Mezzone

8. REVIEW OF OLD BUSINESS

	Report. Decision & Action
a. Facilities Updates	<p>River Rd Office – The lease on the office will be changing as the daughter of the property owner will be signing it now. Has not happened yet.</p> <p>22nd St property – Property looked great for the Practitioners’ Property Blessing on February 3. Keith Gorley had made a fire ring and the clean-up crew continues to do a splendid job keeping the acreage cleared of trash and debris. Mike Stammen has continued to monitor the property for trash and it is staying clean.</p>

Major Goals (initiated @ January 7, 2017 planning mtg, continuance approved @ Dec 12, 2017 planning meeting, New Goals potentially added at 2018 Intention Setting February 2-3, 2018. Scheduled for discussion tonight under New Business.)

b1. Education	Online class “Contemporary Applications of Science of Mind” scheduled to begin on February 27, Rev Janis facilitating, Carla Hodge assisting. <i>The Sermon on the Mount</i> book study continues with 10-12 attendees. “Foundations” began with 9 attendees on January 15, continues with 8. <i>The Untethered Soul</i> , with Pat Masters facilitating begins February 7.
b2. Financial Stability	Finances are delightfully positive.
b3. Growth	<p>Newcomer's Team - Newcomers Team welcomed 9 guests who agreed to sign the guest book in January. Five found us on the internet, four were referrals. Some were returnees we haven’t seen in a while. The NewComers Team has begun contacting the guests via text or email following their visit. So far, no identifiable increase in returnees.</p> <p>Community Builders Team – (See MarComm report)</p>

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<p>c. Next Steps for Consolidated Community Campus Property Visits/Discussion</p>	<p><u>Open Land: 4961 E 22nd Street</u> – Nothing additional at this time.</p> <p><u>Alternative locations?</u> <i>The Benedictine Sanctuary</i> - Some board members have visited and found it appropriate, more board members will visit. Rev. Janis will contact the developers. Still to be completed. Foothills Mall locations -the mall seems to lack traffic Brookline Campus – Too big for our needs.</p> <p>New potential location: Out-of-business Scrapbooking store, LaCholla and River.</p> <p>A bigger, and more basic, question has been arising on the sensibleness of building ‘from scratch’ on our own property versus refurbishing an existing property. This item is scheduled for discussion under New Business</p>
<p>d. Gourmets for God Status</p>	<p>Scrafito Mandalas was attended by six and raised \$120 to be split between Altared States and General Operations. Monies will be allocated to the appropriate teams now that the final activity has been completed.</p>
<p>e. What shall we do with the SOM magazine subscribers list?</p>	<p>First order of business is to determine who is on the list that already receives our newsletter and/or attends our Center activities. That activity is underway. Discussion deferred to (tomorrow night’s) planning meeting.</p>
<p>f. eBay fundraiser</p>	<p>Our eBay store is up and running and had a successful January. We have not yet seen a disbursement of funds from our eBay trader through PayPal, so we do not know what the actual economic benefit to our Center is yet, though we are certain it will be made clear once the remainder of the ‘bugs’ are ironed out of the system. Sheila provided information to Renee’ for use by the Host Team at intervals when we have a ‘good story to tell’ so they can drum up interest on Sundays.</p> <p>Link provided to our eBay seller for inclusion in the newsletter. It has been an item of significant interest (people click on it) in the newsletter.</p>
<p>g. House Concert on January 26, 7pm</p>	<p>(Rev J). Concert was successful and enjoyable. Attended by 18 persons, half of which were CSLT attendees. Information about CSLT was shared with those who were not, and were curious about who we are. David P worked the set up. Mariann handled ticket sales. The concert made \$245, 80% (\$196) was paid to the performers.</p>
<p>h. Spring Musical Event</p>	<p>(Rev J) In the end, Bob Sima’s performance schedule put him in our area in late August, too close to the PosiPalooza which is already agreed with Sue Riley of EmpowerMA for the evening of September 9th. Performers will be Daniel Nahmod, Sue Riley and Richard Mekdeci. We share this event with Unity Center of Peace.</p>
<p>i. Feb 2& 3 Intention Setting (Community Envisioning)</p>	<p>(Rev J) We handled our 2018 Intention Setting ourselves. While attendance was fewer persons than Rev J would have liked, the vision generated and the ideas that poured out from this illustrious group were magnificent. We look forward to an amazing and powerful year for CSL Tucson. More on this activity under Events, below.</p>
<p>j. History and Status of (found!) Piano in Green Valley</p>	<p>(Pat M). Piano has been located. Request of the benefactor (deceased in 2011) was that if we did not ultimately want it or could not use it, we would attempt to place it with another New Thought Center. According to David P, this piano would need major refurbishment (several thousand dollars) to make it vibrant. Discussion/Action: Agreed that notice would be offered through the Minister’s List-serve by Rev. Janis to any Center that may express an interest in the piano and would arrange for its transport. If no takers within a month, we would release the piano to the restaurant where it is appreciated and enjoyed.</p>

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k. Renewing lease at TGS.	(Rev J) Lease is up for renewal on June 24, 2018. They are happy with us as 'tenants'. They have asked if they can make a presentation to our congregation, like they did a number of years ago about Arizona Tax Credits. This is to be scheduled.
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9. TEAM REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION

Normal operations continue. The unusual event this month was the replacement of the credit card terminal docking station which had gotten damaged by usage or transportation. The credit card terminal provider replaced it with minimal expense (\$27).

Submitted, Rev Janis

ALTARED STATES

All is well. Altared States is stable and looks forward to new members joining us (Magnificently, Po Lui-Frank)

Submitted, Sheila Campbell, Board Liaison & Team Member

BOOKSTORE

Holmes books \$107.40	Other books/mags \$139.54	Sunday CDs \$40	Music CDs \$25	Total \$311.94
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(By Wendie Arison)

Submitted, Renee' Mezzone, Board Liaison

COMMUNITY BUILDERS/OUTREACH

Discussion planned for next planning meeting, February 16.

Submitted, Mariann Moery, Board Liaison

COMPASSIONATE HEART

Calls: 5	E-mails: 4	Card: 0	Meals: 0	Rides: 10	Visits: 4
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Marita volunteered 15 hours at Sr Jose's. An organized opportunity was provided for congregants interested in finding out about the work Sr. Jose's does on January 6. (Data reported by Wendie Arison)

Submitted, Leah Hamilton, Board Liaison & Team Member

ECCLESIASTICAL CORE

Intention Setting Retreat reported under events. Plans made and completed for Practitioners' Property Blessing on February 3. Pet Blessing scheduled for March 18.

Submitted, Rev J

EDUCATION CORE

Certificated classes resumed in January with "Foundations of the Science of Mind" beginning Monday, January 15 with 9 enrolled and 8 continuing.

Calling in the One completed with 12 participants and Jan Mooney Graves as co-facilitator for Rev J.

In January, Rev J facilitated a 5-part series, a new take on the Back-to-basics that we typically run in January, Beginning at the Beginning, Mysticism (spiritual practice: Meditation), Manifestation (spiritual

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practice: affirmations), Magician (spiritual practice: spiritual mind treatment) and Mediumship (spiritual practice: visioning). These were attended by 11, 10, 8, 6, and 4 respectively.

In January we are also experimented with a new class at a new time with a new facilitator. Guest presenter Noreen Poli began a 9-week class exploring Emmett Fox's *Sermon on the Mount* 4-6pm on Wednesday afternoon. It has been well attended (10-12 each week) and has resulted in spirited discussion. In February, Pat Masters begins a six-week book study on Michael Singer's *Untethered Soul* and Rev Janis prepares to facilitate an online only class "Contemporary Applications of the Science of Mind". Carla Hodge will assist.

Submitted, Rev J

EVENTS

The house concert for the Musical Duo Jan Garrett and JD Martin on Friday, January 26 at 7pm was attended by 18 persons, approximately half were CSLT attendees. Ticket sales were \$245 with 80% going to the performers, per our agreement.

The 2018 Intention Setting Retreat was held February 2 and 3. In the end, we determined this event was best handled in-house, rather than bringing in an external facilitator. Attendance was a little light, and exactly the right people were there to create and assist in carrying our vision of what we choose to become in 2018.

We created a new credo for 2018, retiring both covenants we had created in 2017. The credo states: CSLT inspires and celebrates spiritual expression of joy as forward movement and growth in open, accepting sacred space, expressing Life and Love, inclusive of ALL.

The identified areas of focus are presented below, for Planning Meeting Discussion:

- Getting clear on actual, practical, innovative/alternative construction techniques that are available, feasible and applicable to our climate in Tucson. Dick Laird takes the lead on this.
- Encouraging and supporting the expansion of our small groups/home circles, to reinforce that feeling of community, while still allowing us to grow beyond our present size. Mariann Moery takes the lead on this.
- Expanding our education program, and our 'reach' by creating online classes, and encouraging the development of an online community. Initially this is strictly educational offerings, but likely will be expanded. Rev Janis has an online class in the planning stages that begins February 27. Carla Hodge assists.
- A twice-monthly meditation group (there is potential to have more than one group, and have them across town, different days and different times). This idea is only a glimmer, and all details to be worked. Leah Hamilton has been wanting to start a peace meditation and takes the lead on this.
- Creating youth church -versus- simply babysitting deferred to the Board for discussion

Spring Event planning proceeding. Pat and Renee' are co-leads and the Ecclesiastical Core will handle the ritual blessing.

Submitted Rev J

FACILITIES TEAM

Details of search in old business.

Submitted, Dick Laird, Board Liaison

FUNDING TEAM

Funding Team met February 6th at 1:30pm. Minutes will be added when available.

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Submitted, Dick Laird, Board Liaison

HOSPITALITY

The Hospitality Team hosted the January and February monthly potlucks quite successfully. My thanks to all that helped. For February 4th Marsha, Gregg and John volunteered to set up and clean up. Volunteers have been solicited for the March potluck. (Dick Laird).

Lunch Bunch: January's Lunch bunch was held at Vero Amore (Old Fort Lowell and Swan). Carla Hodge continues as lead for Lunch Bunch. Ten persons attended January's Lunch Bunch gathering, two of whom were first time guests from Colorado. They enjoyed themselves and said they would be back.

Submitted, Dick Laird, Board Liaison

HOST TEAM

Nothing new, we rock on, as usual!

Board Discussion: Small modification to the host script, "that we are all always in sacred space". Renee' to format and distribute to the Host Team. (By Renee' Mezzone)

Submitted, Renee' Mezzone, Board Liaison

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

Normal operations continue. Natural Awakenings advertising inputted. Facebook community continues to grow, as does the e-newsletter.

We continue to progress on gathering data on existing subscribers and on those who actually open the e-newsletter. This will be compared against the Science of Mind subscribers list to determine the number of potential new contacts that can be invited to participate with us.

Board intend to further the discussion of possible marketing/outreach activities at the February 16 planning meeting.

Submitted, Mariann Moery, Board Liaison

MEMBERSHIP

No classes scheduled at this time. Pat Masters has agreed to resume facilitating membership classes.

Submitted, Pat Masters, Board Liaison

MINISTER'S TRAVEL PLANS

Rev J attended the Phoenix CSL ministers in their monthly luncheon in January and engaged with seven other local new thought ministers. She plans to attend future lunches as often as feasible, recognizing the value of connection with her peers.

She plans to attend the Convention in Irvine CA in February. She will not need to miss a Sunday service to attend this CSL-wide gathering. She will also be attending an ordination of one of her peers in March, and has arranged a guest speaker for that Sunday, even though she will be in attendance.

Submitted, Rev J

MUSIC/SOUND

At least once/month, we have fabulous volunteer vocalists from our congregation. We are so blessed by the commitment and generosity of our Music Team. We are also appreciative of the time and talent that our 'in-house Orchestra' shares with us each Sunday.

David Prouty is working on locating quality special guest musicians for March, and possibly April.

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Submitted, Rev J

NEWCOMER TEAM

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Submitted, Sheila Campbell, Board Liaison

PRACTITIONER CORE

Practitioners meet monthly, and offered Practitioner Tune-Ups the first Sunday in January. They recognized the value of offering Tune-Ups and plan to do so again, in the future. They also created and delivered the Blessing of the 22nd Street Property at 3pm on February 3.

Submitted, Rev J

SACRED CINEMA

January movie was Brooklyn on January 28th. February's film: Straight Story. (Tom Bacon, lead)

Submitted, Pat Masters, Board Liaison

SMALL GROUPS/CIRCLES

Men's Group. On Thursday, February 8, 2018, five men sat around a table discussing why the Center for Spiritual Living Tucson desired a Men's Group and its structure. Several ideas were offered, ranging from the number of participants, places to meet, time of day and length of meeting. Two important concerns were "confidentiality, support" and group guidelines. We agreed that whatever was shared in the group would remain in the group.

On Thursday, February 22, at 10 a.m., our group will reconvene for further discussion. Our intention is to select a time that best serves our entire congregation. If interested, please advise the days and times that would work for you. Nothing has been carved in stone. However, we agreed that 8 to 10 participants is ideal.

Catalina's Artist's Group. Meets monthly on the first Monday evening each month. Potluck and sharing ideas. Nothing further to report.

Submitted, Mariann Moery, Board Liaison

USHERS

We are fully staffed once again, with the addition of Jeff Jackson on the 1st Sunday. Shelly Dunn is due to start/train on the 4th Sunday, and fingers crossed this happens as planned.

Plus, we have two young'uns helping our team. Zjori has returned as a greeter, and Ani asked to help pass the baskets. We are always glad to share this experience with those showing interest!

Our synergy with the Newcomer team continues to be very effective. As we identify new attendees, they are escorted to the information table and introduced as visitors. The interaction is smooth and not overwhelming. We can help them and escort folks to Meditation when needed, and they have stepped in to give us a hand. It's working well! (By Donna Hall.)

Submitted, Leah Hamilton, Board Liaison

VIDEOGRAPHY TEAM

Nothing to report at this time.

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Submitted, Leah Hamilton Board Liaison

VISION CORE

Vision Core Notes, February 1, 2018 6:30pm

In attendance: Chris Wheeler, Barbara McGill and Rev Janis

Virtual Participants: Christina Reed, Shelly Dunn, Carol Nigut, Anna Mello-Lewis

What is the highest vision, the highest ideal, for Center for Spiritual Living Tucson in the immediate future and in 2018?

Great strides going forward, Picture of open hands in a wreath like formation of all the human race represented; Ocean Breath, Nothing moves except breath. Flow, Ebb, Flow, Ebb, Flow, Ebb, Cyclic, continuous movement. Love is breathing us, coming in, releasing. Everything unfolds - creates within the flow, the space, the gap; Holding hands in a circle, Song: *I'd like to teach the world to sing in perfect harmony*, A pile of stones; Landing spot (on land), sharing and growth, small cartoon wildfires jumping around to different locations; Growth, community outreach, commitment, "let your light shine". I Heard Josh Groban's song: *You Raise Me Up* and got this message: CSLT is a safe, harmonious, loving and genuine place for individuals to express their fullest God Light. We raise ourselves, and each other up with supportive, encouraging and honest relationships.

What changes, evolves, becomes, (releases, moves aside, ...) as this vision comes into being?

Local support; Thinking small as individuals & as a community; The sweet spot, the space, all at once, the cycle, the circle of creation, continuous movement, liquid gold-pink sunset, then the gap between ... that empty space ... possibility, Full Blue Moon Rising; A river delta, water running to the sea, a bonfire; That wall crumbles, breeze, free, greater mass; "Home", a place (refuge) to call our own. "Roots". "Identity". Thrive, not merely survive, become a beacon of light for Tucson; Ideas of superiority, inferiority and need to control is released. More gratitude, healthy humility, clarity, acceptance, enthusiasm and joy propel CSLT forward into healthy expansion at all levels. Saw a seagull take flight.

Is there anything else that wants to be known?

I am with you always; Missions accomplished by November; Letting go we realize and accept greater horizons, deeper spaces to house and actionize our vision, again, continuous movement; Sunlight through an open window, Song: *Peaceful Easy Feeling*; The river flows. Like water, it goes where it must; It's time to grow up, step up and become all we are meant to be; We are many AND We Are One! Saw many little hearts fill in one Big heart.

Submitted, Rev J

YOUTH MINISTRY

On hold, pending interest (and training) of prospective teachers.

Submitted, Sheila Campbell, Board Liaison

10. NEW BUSINESS FOR THIS MEETING

A. The 2017-2018 Planning Cycle for review and discussion.

a. Look at Planning Cycle with Fresh Eyes

Draft Planning Cycle Board Activities by Month

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Jan – New Year kick off. CSLT operates on a calendar fiscal year.

Jan 7 – Congregational vote on 2018 charity.

February 2, 3 – Facilitated Annual Community Envisioning/Intention Setting Retreat (requested participation for all Board Members and Teams/Team Leaders, and all of the community is encouraged to attend).

B. Topics and Schedule for next Planning Meeting? Planning meeting February 16, 2018 at 6:30pm. Topics: review of community envisioning and its impact on core goals, feedback and suggestions of the Community Builders team, Rev Janis’ Letter of Call.

C. Discussion: Diversity of opinions about the wisdom of Building our own facility on our own property or refurbishing another facility. Airing the points of view to get it all on the table, and come to agreement on how we will move forward.

After discussion the board agreed to keep vision open for diverse opportunities for consolidating our campus and asked Rev Janis to remove the architectural renderings from the wall in the office. They were presenting a point-of-view that may no longer be valid.

D. Youth ‘Church’ versus simply babysitting. This came up at the Intention Setting Retreat. A discussion. Resolved that a youth class will evolve organically when and if teachers are located but not as a day care situation.

E. Other New Business for This Meeting

Planned classes include a study of Victor Shamas’ book *Deep Creativity* in March and April after the conclusion of *Untethered Soul*. Additionally we will recruit hosts and facilitators for small circle studies of Spiritual Economics over a 5 week period starting the last week of April.

A pet blessing by Rev J and the Practitioners is calendared for March 18th with a picnic after the service and guests may bring their pets or photos of their pets.

Tabled/Deferred/Parking Lot (Not to be forgotten, or for deciding later):

Status or Green Valley Piano	Moved to Old Business
Youth Ministry	(Sheila) Moved to New Business, pending discussion of recommended outcomes of Intention Setting Retreat.
Class on Consensus Decision Making	Rev Donald offered to facilitate an open class on Consensus Decision Making. His intention is to capture the class on video for his future potential use. Board agreed, with the stipulation that we would retain one copy of the video for CSLT exclusive use. Information was presented to Rev Donald and awaits his decision and future action.
Renewing lease at TGS	Moved to old business
Training for Heart Circles	Previously offered at Sacred Space. Watch and see if it is needed. Multiple heart circles seem to be getting off the ground.
Board Team Building Retreat /Training	Book, <i>Building a Spiritual Community</i> provided to all board members. Decision not yet made on how we desire to move forward. Topic for planning meeting
Whole Ministry Review or e-Survey	Deferred until there is capacity.
Decision on Spring Event	The Board decided to hold a Pet Blessing and Picnic on March 18. Pat and Renee’ are co-leads for the Event and the Ecclesiastical Core will handle the ritual blessing.
Alternate storage	Not as urgent with Pat re-joining the Board.

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for piano at Pat Masters house	
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12. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS FOR NEXT/FUTURE MEETING(S)

- Marketing (what are we doing, and what can we do that we are not.) February Planning Mtg
- Should there be perks of membership?

13. SIX MONTH LOOK AHEAD ON CALENDAR (Calendar starts on page 14.)

14. GRATITUDES

Date	Honoree
2/11	Sacred Cinema
2/18	Lunch Bunch
2/25	Altared States
3/4	Birthdays and anniversaries
3/11	Hospitality team
3/18	Pets

15. NEXT BOARD MEETING

March 15, 6:30pm

16. BOARD SOCIAL/PLANNING MEETING

February 16, 6:30pm

17. REVIEW CIAB SCHEDULE

Date	Responsibility
2/11	Pat/Leah
2/18	Dick/Sheila
2/25	Renee/Sheila
3/4	Dick/Mariann and Dick
3/11	Pat/Leah
3/18	Renee/Sheila

18. LEAD-ARTICLE FOR NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

Due When?	Who? (topic)
2/11	Dick
2/18	Pat
2/25	Sheila
3/4	Rev J
3/11	Mariann
3/18	Leah

NORMAL ROTATION: MARIANN → LEAH → RENEE → DICK → PAT → SHEILA → REV J →

19. ADJOURN AND PRAY OUT

8:20PM

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February	4 Potluck Sunday	5 Foundations 4 Catalina Artists Gp Mtg/Potluck	6 Funding Team 1:30p	7 Untethered Soul (PBM) 6:30pm Emmet Fox 4-6pm (4) (NPoli)	8 Men's Group 10am	9	10 Compassionate Heart Quarterly Mtg 1:30pm
	11 Board Update?	12 Foundations 5	13	14 ReAffirm of Vows Emmet Fox 4- 6pm (5) (NPoli)	15 Board Mtg, 6:30p	16	17
	18 Lunch Bunch	19 --- REV J OOT	20 --- @ CSL Convention	21 Untethered Soul (PBM) 6:30p Emmet Fox 4-6pm (6) (NPoli)	22 ----- Men's Group 10am	23 -----	24
	25 Cinema - Straight Story	26 Foundations 6	27 ContempApps (1) 6:30p (online)	28 Untethered Soul (PBM)6:30p Emmet Fox 4- 6pm (7) (NPoli)	MAR 1 Vision Core	2	3 Found Meditation Wkshp 9-4
March	4 Potluck Sunday	5 Foundations 7 Catalina Artists Gp Mtg/Potluck	6 Funding Tm 1:30p ContempApps (2) 6:30p (online)	7 Untethered Soul (PBM) 6:30p Emmet Fox 4- 6pm (8) (NPoli)	8 Men's Group 10am	9	10
	11 Board Update?	12 Foundations 8	13 ContempApps (3) 6:30p (online)	14 Untethered Soul (PBM) 6:30p Emmet Fox 4- 6pm (9) (NPoli)	15 Board Mtg, 6:30p	16 -- Rev J OOT at	17 Ordination ----- (of one of her peers)
	18 Guest Speaker: Karin Lewis Lunch Bunch Pet Blessing 1-3p	19 Foundations 9	20 ContempApps (4) 6:30p (online)	21 Untethered Soul (PBM) 6:30p	22 Men's Group 10am	23	24
	25 Cinema	26 Foundations 10	27 ContempApps (5) 6:30p (online)	28 Deep Creativity 1	29	30	31
April	APR 1 Potluck Sunday (Easter)	2 Foundations 11 Catalina Artists Gp Mtg/Potluck	3 Funding Tm 1:30p ContempApps (6) 6:30p (online)	4 Deep Creativity 2	5 Vision Core 6:30pm	6	7
	8 Board Update?	9 Foundations 12	10	11 Deep Creativity 3	12	13	14

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	22 Cinema	23 Membership #2?	24	25 Deep Creativity 5	26	27	28
May <i>Spirit.Econ.Home Gps</i>	29	30	MAY 1 Funding Team 1:30p	2	3 Vision Core 6:30pm	4	5
	6 Potluck Sunday	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13 Board Update?	14	15	16	17 Board Mtg, 6:30p	18	19
	20 Lunch Bunch	21	22	23	24	25	26
	27 Cinema	28	29	30	31	JUN 1	2
June	4 Potluck Sunday	30	5 Funding Team 1:30p	6	7 Vision Core 6:30pm	8	9
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	17 Lunch Bunch	18	19	20	21 Board Mtg, 6:30p	22	23
	24 Cinema	25	26	27	28	29	30
July 2018	1 Potluck Sunday	2	3 Funding Team 1:30p	4	5 Vision Core 6:30pm	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15 Lunch Bunch	16	17	18	19 Board Mtg, 6:30p	20	21
	22 Cinema	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30	Aug 1	2	3	4	5