

Greetings from the Board of Trustees!

At the March board meeting, we continued two significant topics of discussions started at the February board meeting: the Memorandum of Understanding with Friends of 2125 Chestnut Street and the 2019-2020 church budget.

Since the last board meeting, Matt Schreck has met with the attorney representing Friends of 2125 Chestnut Street in order to develop the Memorandum of Understanding. At the meeting, Matt updated the other board members on the conversations he has had and the current state of the MOU. The board is looking forward to reviewing a draft of the MOU and sharing it with the congregation soon.

The board also discussed updates from the newly-created staffing taskforce, which has been investigating new potential staff structures for the church generally, and the possibility of hiring an assistant minister for faith formation specifically. After discussing the helpful feedback from the congregants who attended the info session on March 10 (many thanks to everyone who was able to come!), we also analyzed the effects of the new staffing structure on the church budget, and Deborah Schultz and Norman Foray provided an update from the finance working group. We'll be holding further information sessions about the 2019-2020 budget and about the new staffing structure in the coming weeks, so stay tuned!

The next board meeting will be held on April 18 and is open to all members.

With warm regards, the Board of Trustees (Scott McCarthy, Stephen Oliver, Rebecca Ortenberg, Matt Schreck, Debby Schultz, Annemarie Vaeni, Zinat Yufuszai)