

HUUF Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2021

Opening

The regular meeting of the HUUF Board of Trustees was called to order at 7pm by David Marshak.

Present: David Marshak, Debi Cooper, Chris West, Sandy Lynn, Montana Caouette, Peter Farriday, Amy Day

Absent: Rebekah Paez, Sally Williams, Cassie Brillbeck, Bridgette Garuti, Scarlett Trippsmith

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved with no changes.

Agenda Items

1. Discussion of monthly reports

- a. **Admin report:** Sylvia has volunteered to chair a kitchen use committee and will create a proposal.
- b. **DLRE report:**
 - i. Montana suggested that OWL should be a priority.
 - ii. Amy noted that there are resources in UUA OWL for parents during Covid
 - iii. **Action Item:** >>>Amy will reach out to see about a regional training.
 - iv. **Action Item:** >>>Amy will be looking into starting a parent OWL group.
 - v. **Halloween:** Can we do it????? A committee was formed to figure out feasibility, time and finances.
Action Item: >>> The committee: Amy, Debi, Sandy, will meet in the next 3 or 4 days. Amy will email the committee to arrange a day/time
- c. **Soc Action:** There was discussion regarding a partnership with Cooperation Humboldt, and allied organizations and building use. It was suggested that there needs to be a process wherein our people become invested so that there is a critical mass who feel agency. Could we offer it as an individual choice?
Action Item: >>> Amy will compose a proposal for this.
It was noted that the Humboldt Board of Supervisors has proposed a grant

to Cooperation Humboldt for unsheltered people.

This discussion was tabled with recognition that Amy and Peter continue to make connections within us and w Cooperation Humboldt.

d. **Engagement/Racism**: **Tabled** for a later meeting

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a. **Halloween Festival plans**: (see discussion in item 1b.v. above)

b. **HUUF and Social Justice**: (see discussion in item 1c above)

3. **Financial reports**: Total pledges are \$30,000 under budget. The good news is that we have funds still available from the Moore bequest.

Action Item >>> David will meet w/endowment committee on this matter.

4. **Planning for Sunday services in coming weeks**: It was suggested that we consider going to all virtual services at one point.

Action Item >>> David will get back to the associates to say we approve of the plan (from email 9/12/21, see end of minutes, below) for weather contingencies. Decision regarding who takes responsibility needs to be made by Friday.

5. **Ideas for new chair of Membership Committee**: Tabled for a future meeting.

Action Item >>> Peter will be talking to staff regarding making little gift packets for new people to take home.

6. **Do we have a policy regarding vaccination for employees?** It was proposed that all staff should be vaccinated. It was decided that asking staff members to verbally confirm their vaccination status is sufficient for verification.

Action Item >>> Peter will ask staff if the staff already hired are vaccinated, and report to BOT.

It was decided that we will have a formal policy that all staff is fully vaccinated. If there is a request for exemption that person can come to the board

Action Item >>> Chris will write policy for reviewing exemptions and send it via email to Covid committee.

7. **Patricks Point renaming**: The BOT agreed to support this. (see “Patricks Point Renaming” at end of minutes below)

New Business

Board conversation: Transformation Team report suggestions

Action Item >>> Peter will edit, then send his report.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9pm by David Marshak.
The next general meeting will be at 7pm on Oct 12, 2021

Minutes submitted by: Sandy Lynn

Email regarding proposal for Sunday services 9/12/21:

Services going forward: after considerable discussion the worship leaders recommend the following to the board for approval:

- At least for the foreseeable future, all services will be hybrid - in person and zoom
 - For attending in person services, people are strongly encouraged to make a reservation and we'd like to state. "We highly prefer you to be vaccinated to attend in person services, if eligible to be vaccinated."
 - o Note: Ann Kilby offered to write up info for newsletter. Send to Pat before submitting.
 - Attendees will continue to remain masked and distanced.
 - As long as weather permits, we will do patio services.
 - If inclement weather forces us to move inside:
 - o The maximum in the sanctuary is 50 persons. All masked.
 - o The decision on whether to move inside will be made at the service rehearsal which is normally noon on Friday. Berti Suggestion – after meeting. If the weather worsens enough that the service needs to be moved inside, the minister and/or worship leader will make the decision in consultation with any attending board members.
 - o Scarlett will make every effort to notify attendees of the change of venue, especially those who may not be comfortable inside.
 - o Persons not comfortable inside may include presenters, who may have to present via zoom.
 - o Ann K. volunteered to research which is the most accurate source of weather reports.
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Patrick's Point Renaming Memo

The California State Park and Recreation Commission will consider changing the name of Patrick's Point SP to Suemeeg State Park at their next commission meeting on Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021. The State Parks Planning Division issued a [Public Notice](#) in the local papers last week.

The purpose of this proposed action is to address the use of a place name, "Patrick's Point", which honors Patrick Beegan who was accused of murdering numerous Native Americans in the mid-1800s. The name "Suemeeg" has been used by Yurok people to describe the area since time immemorial. Although there have been different anglicized spellings used historically, the preferred phonetic spelling as recommended by the Yurok Tribe is "Suemeeg". State Parks' [Reexamining Our Past Initiative](#) is part of a larger effort within the California state government to identify and redress discriminatory names of features attached to state parks and transportation systems. The move comes in the wake of a national conversation about the names of geographic features and builds upon Governor Gavin Newsom's work to support equity, inclusion, and accountability throughout the state to better reflect our values. Should Patrick's Point State Park receive a new name, it would be the first park to be renamed as part of this statewide effort.

If your organization is interested in writing a letter of support for this name change, please send written comments via email to planning@parks.ca.gov, and use the words "Patrick's Point Name Change" in the subject line. Please send all comments by Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021. We also encourage your participation in the Commission hearing via Zoom on September 30.