

The following are highlights from the 04/13/2026 Governing Board meeting:

- Call to order – Jonathan
- Devotions – Erica

**Members Attending:**

Dave Allen, Paul Campbell, Jonathan Carroll-Nellenback (Vice Chair), Erica Friedman Coburn, Christy Leshner (Secretary), Tim Mahan, Peter Owh, Dawn Riedy (Treasurer), Rev. Dr. Michelle Bogue-Trost (Sr. Minister), Deb Bullock-Smith (Church Administrator)

**Absent:**

Chuck Hanrahan (Chair)

**Guests:**

None

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**1. Received & Approved Consent Agenda**

Approval of Governing Board Minutes of Feb 9, 2026  
Approval of Governing Board Minutes of Mar 9, 2026 - Confidential  
Receipt of Social Concerns Committee Minutes of Mar 16, 2026  
Receipt of Finance Committee Minutes of Mar 23, 2026  
Receipt of SPRC Minutes of Mar 2, 2026 - Confidential  
Receipt of Senior Minister's Report of March 2026

**2. Three Big Questions, Third Century Work – Pastor Michelle**

Pastor Michelle led the April Third Century Work discussion with the Governing Board focused on identity, integration, and differentiation of self. Excerpts from the following books were used for this discussion:

- Edwin H. Friedman, *A Failure of Nerve: Leadership in the Age of the Quick Fix*, Church Publishing, 1999 (Chapter 5).
- Edwin H. Friedman, *Generation to Generation: Family Process in Church and Synagogue*, Guilford Press, 1985 (Chapter 10).

**3. Progress on Neighbors Sleeping on Campus – Pastor Michelle**

At the last task force meeting, members expressed frustration with the lack of visible progress and action, prompting a recap of work completed to date. The Whites will join the task force moving forward. Michelle will draft an initial policy, which Pat and other staff will review and refine together, with the prevailing consensus that we are moving in the direction of not allowing sleepers on campus as behaviors escalate. Community Outreach Center staff, including social work interns, have been engaging campus sleepers to identify safer alternative locations and have deployed trash cans to encourage better care of shared spaces.

**\*\*The Governing Board entered Executive Session**

**4. New Business – All**

The Property Stewardship and Finance Committees have discussed the sound system issues and are assessing costs, with the Tech Team exploring possible repairs (though mailing components for repair is not viable). Tim and Dawn are coordinating on a fixed-asset replacement or acquisition, which is distinct from a capital project or standard repair. Due to recent progress in stabilizing cash balances, the team is confident this can be addressed without risking other budget priorities. Since a fixed-asset replacement fund has not previously existed, a plan is being developed.

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**Adjourned at 6:46 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christy Leshner

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<b>Next GB Meeting</b> (5:30 PM, Red Room)	May 11, 2026
<b>Next Town Hall</b> (after 11 AM service, Sanctuary)	May 17, 2026