

**Humanists of Minnesota**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**February 8, 2017**

**Attendees:**

Officers: Audrey Kingstrom (President), Harlan Garbell (Vice President), David Guell (Secretary), Mahad Muhammed, Brad Bolin (Treasurer), Rohit (by phone)

Attending members: Ellie Bjorklund, and Nick Hayden

Not Present: Dale Handeen, Christina Royal, Mark Coffey, Rohit Ravindran,

**Minutes:** The January meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

**Media/Tech:** David reported results of investigating the MembershipWorks website. He will be demoing features of that system in a meeting to be scheduled in two weeks. Rohit reported findings of his investigation into SquareSpace for the website and hosting (as a replacement for Joomla and the current website hosted on BlueHost). He will continue investigating.

**Membership Committee:** Harlan reported that the membership committee did not meet due to weather. There was also discussion involving how to determine what attracted the newest members to the organization that account for the steady increase in membership over the last year. Rohit noted that data is collected via the CiviCRM signup page on how members find out about the organization. David proposed conducting an online survey to gain more specific information on why new members have joined.

**Social Action:** A number of topics concerning social action were discussed, including adding a social action team to focus on options the organization can pursue.

**Leadership Training:** February 21 is the communications and technology conference. Dave, Mahad, Rohit and Audrey will attend.

**Budgeting:** The expenses from FY2016 were reviewed as a starting point for FY2017 budget planning. There was extensive discussion of a number of the items in the budget. The board agreed that Audrey would connect with AM950 concerning the likelihood that we would not renew advertising support in 2017 for the Atheist Talk radio show.

**Nominations Committee:** Harlan is heading up the nominations committee and the committee will be introduced at the March chapter meeting. Possible nominees were discussed at length.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25.