Unitarian Universalist Association Board Governance Team

Report to the Trustees January 2014

At the Board meeting of October 2103, the Governance Team was instructed to work to reduce the number of policies which require monitoring reports from the Administration. Attached you will find a redaction of Section 3 of the UUA Policy Manual. We determined that a significant percentage of Section 3 is actually concerned with implementation. We intend to archive the implementation language in the form of procedures and or simply good business practice while keeping a policy a limited number of key limitations the Board deems necessary to guide the work of the Administration.

Please read the suggested changes to Section 3 and come prepared to discuss the specific changes we propose.

Our review of policies is keyed to the consultative process currently underway. We don't want to proceed toward radical reductions independent of the process which aspires to clarify the interpretation process. That clarification should, in turn, inform how best to develop a new, streamlined and more effective monitoring calendar. With that in mind we remind the Board of the resolution passed at the October meeting which reads as follows:

Moved that we waive the requirement that the ends monitoring report be submitted on December 20, and that the schedule for developing and submitting the ends monitoring report will be in accordance with the work plan developed with the consultant, staff and Executive Committee.

Moved by: Donna Harrison Seconded by: James Snell Passed Unanimously

Between now and the April Board meeting the Governance Team will engage others including but not limited to the Audit Committee and the Office of the Treasurer to help us to review and reduce the policies and develop a new monitoring calendar.