

**Summary Report of Webinar Presentations**  
**Linkage Working Group**  
**June 24, 2014**

Five members of the UUA Board (Jim Key, Donna Harrison, Julian Sharp, Rev. Dr. Susan Ritchie and Susan Weaver) hosted two separate sessions of a webinar [“What to Expect at GA 2014.”](#) (on June 4 and 5, 2014). The webinars presented information on this year’s business agenda, including the fossil fuel divestment resolution, Congregational Study/Action Issues, and the workshop on re-imagining GA. Video recordings of the webinars are posted on the [“Delegate Information”](#) webpage for UUA General Assembly.

**Attendance**

June 4 webinar: 199 registrations, 109 attendees; 92 attended for more than 50 minutes

June 5 webinar: 182 registrations, 106 attendees; 87 attended for more than 50 minutes.

As of June 11, 14 people had viewed 30 minutes or more of the June 4 recording. 2 people had viewed 30 minutes or more of the June 5 recording.

**Survey and Feedback**

26 attendees of the June 4 webinar completed a survey. Content of the webinar was generally rated well and considered useful; technology received lower ratings because of some audio difficulties, and several attendees on June 4 had connection difficulties. Technology was much smoother on June 5.

A few attendees commented that they would have also liked more very basic information about delegate responsibilities and the general session calendar; a few attendees wanted more information about General Assembly programming. Discussion of fossil fuel divestment garnered the most questions, as follows:

1. How much money is held in endowment funds other than the General Fund?
2. With the “fiduciary duty” clause and the “shareholder activism” clause, how much impact can we expect this to make?
3. Can you discuss Shelter Rock?
4. Why is the time frame five years?
5. How much is in CT200 holdings?
6. Does this resolution apply to Veatch?
7. Does this resolution apply to individuals?
8. How does this relate to Veatch?
9. What is the significance, if any, of the Investment Committee not taking a position?
10. Is there a socially responsible fund that also divests from fossil fuels or do we need to create it?
11. How much of these funds are currently invested in these companies?

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Larry Ladd (via the webinar chat tool) ably assisted in providing answers to 1, 2 and 4. We did not answer questions on Veatch and should expect similar questions at General Assembly; other questions Julian provided thoughtful responses. (Except 10; not sure what was being asked.)

There were also several questions on the availability of programming and workshops for off-site delegates.