

Nana' Kratochvil, Chair
Commission on Appraisal
Unitarian Universalist Assoc.

Jim Key, Moderator
Board of Trustees,
Unitarian Universalist Association

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Dear Jim,

As I informed you during our telephone conversation, the Commission is engaged in a process of discernment regarding the choice of our next topic. We designed an online process to ask for suggestions, and have solicited topics from under-represented groups within our association. One of our talented members designed a chart with headings from the Board of Trustees *Ends Statements*. As I expected, all suggestions fall under at least one of the *Ends*, some of them under several. There is still time for members of the Board to make their own suggestions, and we would welcome them. You can do that by e-mailing them to me at nanakratochvil@gmail.com. We will keep these in mind as we proceed with our discernment. We plan to continue seeking input from underrepresented groups, such as DRUMM, LREDA and the LGBTQ community. It is possible we will have at least a broad topic after our meeting in late January.

We are exploring alternate methods of presenting the results of our study. Electronic communications offer expanded methods of publication. In addition to the traditional book format, we could offer online information, including an opportunity for interaction. Or, we could eliminate the paper publication entirely. We have written reflections on these possibilities, and commentary on the reflections.

We are trying to be very careful stewards of the money of the Association. We are now back to our full complement of nine members, as required by our bylaws. During this first year, when we have four new members, we are planning three face to face three or four day meetings, and some representation at General Assembly. We also have monthly phone meetings, and extensive e-mail discussions. We try to be very thrifty as we plan our meetings.

I am happy to keep members of the board informed about our work as we progress.

Sincerely,

Rev. Dr. Nana' Kratochvil, chair
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