Minutes of the Nominating Committee Conference Call 18 October, 2011

Members Present: Christopher Sims, Elnora Williams, Rev. Darrick Jackson, Aymie Manning, James Hobart, Rev. LoraKim Joyner, Larry Ladd, Leon Spencer

Opening words & imaginary chalice lighting (to be determined)

Review, revision and approval of agenda

Review and approval of notes/minutes from June 26, 2011, August 2, 2011 & Sept. 19, 2011 meetings: approval via email. Going to post minutes on website now, will approve later via email.

Preparation for November 18-20 Meeting:

- Update from Danielle Di Bona on arranging for DRUUM/ARE Discussion(s)
 DRUUMM leaders and either Michael Tino or a representative from ARE are coming. We'll be meeting with them 8:30 10:00 on Saturday
- Update from Leon Spencer on arranging for AR/AO/MC Training: Paula Cole Jones and one other will be there

Preparation for 2012 General Assembly: What, if anything, shall the Nominating Committee do at this GA?

- We will contact the Moderator for advice on this topic
- Deadline for a workshop at GA 2012 proposal is November 1.
- While our work and mission are important to the Association in general, they are not necessary for the work of this General Assembly, and we should therefore not do a workshop.
- Other things we normally do in this year of the cycle: Exhibit Booth, Open House/Gathering. We will discuss whether these things are necessary at the November meeting.
- Reasons to go:
 - o Meeting in person is valuable
 - o Leadership presence needed
 - Seeing/meeting potential new leaders is important, particularly youth and young adults
 - o Should be a part of the changing face of GA
- Reasons not to go:
 - o We might not be "usual business"
 - Huge drain on resources

- Reason for going should not be as regular Nom Com recruiters, but more active leader participant
- Possibility of sending some people to GA and some to district events

We will have a discussion via email regarding Bart Frost of GAPC requesting presence at our Nov meeting

 Nancy Bartlett said that if he comes, we should have a Committee on Committees member at least present by phone, as they appoint to the GAPC as well.

Discussion of appropriateness of Nom Com members writing letters of recommendation for people.

We will not have our conference call on November 15th, as we will meet later that week.

Closing

Submitted by the Secretary of the Nominating Committee, Aymie Manning

Guide to Acronyms:

UUA - Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations

Nom Com - Nominating Committee of the UUA

GA – General Assembly

CoC - Committee on Committees of the UUA Board of Trustees

DRUUMM - Diverse Revolutionary Unitarian Universalist Multicultural Ministries

ARE – Allies for Racial Equity

AR/AO/MC - Anti-Racism, Anti-Oppression, Multiculturalism

GAPC – General Assembly Planning Committee

Appendices

Preliminary Agenda for November 18-20 Meeting: Understanding and Improving Our Process (includes Bicycle Rack) AR/AO/MC Training DRUUMM/ARE Discussion Recruitment Planning

2. <u>Committee members (from uua.org website):</u>

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