Board of Trustees

MEETING: June 15, 2020, 8:00 pm, Eastern Time

Pursuant to notice duly given, this meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Unitarian Universalist Association was held via Zoom conferencing.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Greg Boyd, Kathy Burek, Pablo deVos-Deak (youth trustee), Suzanne Fast, Susan Frederick-Gray (President), Mr. Barb Greve (Co-Moderator), Sarah Dan Jones, Sherman Logan, Leslie MacFadyen, Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Patrick McLaughlin, John Newhall, Lucia Santini Field (Financial Advisor), Tom Schade

ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANTS: Carey McDonald (Recording Secretary & Executive Vice President), Andrew McGeorge (Treasurer), Danielle Di Bona (Chaplain), Charles Du Mond, Barbara de Leeuw, Bill Young, Chelsea Surfus, Debra Boyd, Marcus Fogliano, Ben Gabel, Leslie Takahashi, Austen Petersen, Erien Babcock, Janet Pivnick, Julie Bond, Kenneth Langer, Mandolin Restivo, Mathew Taylor, Viola Abbitt

Meeting Minutes

Co-Moderator Mr. Barb Greve opened the meeting at 8:00 pm. Members and participants offered one hope for GA as a check-in question.

General Assembly

Board members discussed the GA Participation Agreement, which all participants will be required to once they log into the portal and the GA app. It will serve as the basis for addressing any problematic behaviors in the virtual GA space.

Executive Vice President Carey McDonald shared an update on the UUA staff response to withdrawal of youth and young adult volunteers, based on disagreements around compensation in the change to a virtual GA as well as plans to continue certain programs at GA. Board members, especially the youth trustees, noted the importance of supporting youth leaders in this particular time and of addressing the systematic problems that youth and young adult volunteers have faced. There was agreement of the need to look holistically at how volunteering is working or needs to be changed as a part of GA.

Co-Moderator Elandria Williams noted that the Journey Towards Wholeness Transformation Committee and the Commission on Institutional Change were reviewing the Board’s draft of a responsive resolution to the COIC report, as discussed last week. The final version was slated for approval at the June 23 Board meeting.

It was noted that a drafting error left out time limits from Rule 6a in the initially-published Rules of Procedure, but would be corrected in the final GA agenda. Board members affirmed this correction.
Members and participants offered a one-word check-out
The meeting ended at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Carey McDonald
Recording Secretary