

Board of Trustees

MEETING: July 12, 2021, 7:45 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: Kathy Burek, Barbara de Leeuw, Charles Du Mond (Co-Moderator), Suzanne Fast, Susan Frederick-Gray (President), Sherman Logan, Leslie MacFadyen, Elizabeth Mount, John Newhall, JeKaren Olaoya, Lucia Santini Field (Financial Advisor), Tom Schade, Bill Young (Secretary)

ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANTS: Carey McDonald (Recording Secretary & Executive Vice President), Andrew McGeorge (Treasurer), Stephanie Carey Maron, Marcus Fogliano, Danielle Di Bona, Margie Manning, George Squires, Rita Cherubini, Larry Ladd, Jill Sampson, Emily Garrick, Antoinette Scully, Sean McCaffery, Imari Kariotis, Maddie Smith, Martha Durkee-Newman, Dandelion Prinsloo

Meeting Minutes

Co-Moderator Charles Du Mond opened the meeting at 7:55 pm, followed by a reading and moment of silence to honor the recent passing of UU leader Kim Hampton.

Consent agenda

The Board adopted the consent agenda unanimously, with corrections. It included the minutes from the April 23-24, May 17 and June 14, 2021 meeting minutes.

Discussions on bylaw revisions and on appointments were postponed.

General Assembly follow-up subgroups

Bill Young shared that the subgroup working on disability justice had contacted the Disability Caucus from GA, received the BIPOC Disability Caucus report, and is planning for conversations in the coming months.

The subgroup working on the climate divestment responsive resolution noted they had been in contact with the young adult group that sponsored the resolution, but had not had time to meet yet. Andrew McGeorge gave a brief explanation of the current Socially Responsible Investing Guideline and reported on the work to date that had been done to implement the on 2020 Business Resolution on human rights and investing. He described the current Investment Committee and Socially Responsible Investing Committee process for screening investments, setting policy and excluding or divesting from certain securities.

Observers who were a part of the young adult group that sponsored the resolution restated their position from the resolution, and asked for future reporting on actions taken based on the resolution.



General Assembly planning

Board members raised an upcoming deadline to commit to an in-person General Assembly in 2024 in Providence, RI or lose the security deposit from 2020. Board members shared concerns about the Providence Convention Center’s accessibility, and the need to have flexibility to consider the future General Assembly in virtual, in-person and multi-platform formats. They requested more information, and agreed to revisit the conversation an upcoming meeting.

The meeting ended at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Carey McDonald

Recording Secretary

