

*MidAmerica Region, UUA*  
**Board Business Meeting**  
**Saturday, May 21, 2016**

3 p.m. President Eric Huffer called the meeting to order.

3:05 It was agreed to drop from the agenda approving the April 5, 2016 Meeting Minutes.

3:15 p.m. Doug Cauble moved that the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter financial statements be approved. Janis Cheney seconded this. Vote was unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda

- Minutes of the 4/5/2016 MidAmerica Board Business Meeting
- Minutes of the 4/30/2016 Annual Business Meeting of the MidAmerica Region
- 3QFY2016 Financial Reports of the MidAmerica Region – Financial Reports were reviewed and

3:30 pm Discussed and action taken on Board Members signing Volunteer Ethics Guidelines – We discussed what the Volunteer Ethics Guidelines entailed and the reasoning behind supporting it. We were asked if we would be willing to each submit a background check to align with the UUA's policy for this. Dawn Cooley moved to approve the proposal, David Martin seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

3:40 pm Discussion and Action regarding proposed FY2016 MidAmerica Staff Team Objectives

Eric entertained a motion for affirmation of MidAmerica Staff team objectives. Janis Cheney moved, Tom Sommerfeld seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

3:42 pm Discussion and Possible request for action by the Learning Network Task Force

The Board considered the following resolution, which was drafted by Janis Cheney:

The Board of the MidAmerica Region of the UUA extends its deep appreciation to the members of the Learning Network Covenant Task Force for their creative energy in moving us into a new era of thinking and being. The information and the experience of wrestling with these important issues creates a valuable foundation for the Board as we look to the future. The work of the Learning Network Covenant Task Force is a testament to the faith exhibited in the creation of the region and embodies a model of experimentation and learning that we hope will be a model for future work. Moving forward, the Board plans to take a more active role in the actualization of the Learning Network Covenant. Your efforts will provide invaluable support for the Board's newly identified reimagining of our ministry in and for the Region.

To move toward our next steps, and as the last action of the task force, we request that your data and insights be assembled and provided to the board no later than August 1,

2016.

The resolution was moved by Doug Cauble and seconded by David Martin, and passed unanimously.

3:45 pm The following was tabled from the Agenda - Adoption of a FY2016 MidAmerica Region Governance Calendar. This will be discussed at our next monthly meeting.

3:50 pm Discussion and possible action regarding FY2016 MidAmerica Region Board Objectives

A working group has been created consisting of Sarah Oglesby, David Lauth, Janis Cheney, and Brian Bach to do evaluate the current objectives and propose any revisions.

3:53 pm Review and possible acceptance of the MOU for MUUC/MUUF and MidAmerica Region

Discussion of process. Question were raised around history, tax laws and implications, and funding sources. A motion to approve was made by Doug Cauble, seconded by Tom Sommerfeld, and unanimously passed.

4:12 pm Process Observer Comments

Eric Huffer delivered.

4:00 pm Recognition of Those Completing Service to the MidAmerica Region

President Eric Huffer recognized Tom Sommerfeld and David Martin for their service to the Board.

4:12 pm Closing Words – Offered by David Martin.

4:30 pm Adjournment

Tom Sommerfeld moved, David Martin seconded. Approved unanimously