

MidAmerica Region, UUA
Draft Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting
April 21, 2018

Trustees present: Brian Bach, Kyrie Bock, Janis Cheney, Dixie Collinson, Eric Huffer, Mitra Jafarzadeh, David Lauth, Tammy Lemmer, Sarah Oglesby-Dunegan

Staff present: Ian Evison, Sharon Dittmar

Call to Order: President Eric Huffer called the meeting to order at 3:50 pm Central and reviewed the Board Mission Statement

The following Consent Agenda was approved (Motion by D. Lauth, second by J. Cheney)

- Appointment of Timekeeper – Kyrie Bock
- Appointment of Process Observer – Janis Cheney
- Appointment of Advocate – Brian Bach
- Approval of March 6 2018 Minutes

FY 2018 2nd quarter financial statements

S. Oglesby-Dunegan moved to approve the FY 2018 2nd quarter financial statement. Second by D. Collinson. The motion passed.

Discussion of Possible Bylaw Review & Revision Work Group

Board members discussed segments of the bylaws that have caused confusion and difficulty for the Nominating Committee. Brian moved to form a Bylaw Review & Revision Work Group consisting of 2 members of the Board and 2 members of the Nominating Committee for the purpose of reviewing terms and the nomination process for officers as well as language relating to Nomination by Congregations. Janis seconded. The motion passed.

K. Bock and T. Lemmer were identified as the Board representatives. The Nominating Committee will identify their own members. E. Huffer will contact Kate Daniels, Nominating Committee Chair.

Review of 2018-2019 Board Calendar

D. Collinson moved and M. Jafarzadeh seconded a motion to accept the proposed Board meeting dates as follows. The motion passed.

Regional Assembly will be held April 5-7, 2019 in St Louis.

The first in person retreat will be May 2-5, 2019 in St Louis.

The second in person retreat will be August 22-25, 2019 in the Twin Cities area of Minnesota.

Conference calls will be held at 8 pm Eastern on the 1st Tuesday of the month when no in person meeting is held. There will be no call in May. The remaining dates in 2018 will be June 5, July 3, September 4, October 2, Nov 6 (editor's note, this is election night), December 4. The 2019 dates are January 1 (editor's note, this is New Year's Day), February 5, March 5.

Business generated during Board Retreat

No additional business was generated during retreat.

Sharing of Gratitude & Sorrow

Presiding over his last Board meeting, E. Huffer shared his thanks for the work and commitment of the Board during his time as Secretary and President. Much appreciation was also extended to Eric for his leadership, with the acknowledgement of how much work is done behind the scenes and between formal meetings.

J. Cheney also thanked members for their work and noted that it was a difficult decision to step away from her current term. She was also thanked for her time and contributions.

Process Observer Comments:

J. Cheney noted that everyone was present and engaged in the meeting.

Advocate Comments:

B. Bach had no observations.

Closing Words:

K Bock shared words from Kendal Givens.

Adjournment:

D. Lauth moved for adjournment and K. Bock seconded. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.