

MidAmerica Region Board Meeting

January 4, 2022

Minutes

Approved February 1, 2022

Present: Jim Moir, Dorit Bergen, Rae Jane Araujo, Autumn Mahoney, Sharon Dittmar, Tammy Lemmer, Patty Notch

Absent: Hans Kelson, McKenna Revel, Regional Lead David Pyle is on sabbatical

Tammy opened the meeting at 7:32 PM EST.

Opening Words given by Sharon

Check-in

Minutes

Patty moved approval of the minutes of December 7, 2021 Board Meeting, Jim seconded, motion passed.

Regional Lead Report

Board members are looking forward to seeing the policy draft David writes.

Adoption of Regional Assembly Business Meeting Agenda

Goal is for the business meeting to be an hour or less. The agenda from last year was reviewed. Dorit moved adoption of the 2021 agenda items for 2022 with the addition of greetings from the UUA, seconded by Rae Jane. Motion passed.

Scholarship Process Discussion

Discussion of fees to attend Regional Assembly, there are 10 adult scholarships and 10 youth scholarships already available. Tammy moved that the Board cover the fees to attend Regional Assembly for BIPOC individuals who request it using the scholarship funds already authorized for such purposes. Rae Jane seconded. Motion passed. Dorit will send Andrew and Sharon the language and staff will handle announcing the availability of these funds.

Communications from the Board to the Region will be on our February agenda and might include how we will eventually announce all the scholarships we have established.

Spring Retreat Planning / Discussion of Dates

It's hard to be definite right now, but we are vetoing the last weekend proposed and we are leaning toward April 8th- 10th. Tammy will follow up with Hans and McKenna. We will revisit in February whether or not to meet in person. By being creative as to location, we can put together an in-person meeting, if that's the decision, with relatively short notice.

Process Observation

Closing Words were given by Sharon

Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 EST

Respectfully submitted by Dorit Bergen, Board secretary