

Religious Education Credentialing Committee Meeting Précis
April 20–23, 2026
Online

Present: Rev. Emily Gage; Rev. Claudia Jimenez; Linnea Nelson, CRE – LL; Mia Morse; Jill Sampson; Rev. Bob Renjilian, MRE; Rev. Sarah Gettie McNeill (Professional Development Programs Manager); Aastha Poudel (Professional Development Assistant) and Susanne Hinson-Rieger, CRE-AL (Credentialed Observer).

The meeting convened at approximately 9am ET on Monday, April 20, 2026.

Continuing Education Training

The committee met with Nao Bethea, CRE – LL and Director of Lifespan Faith Engagement to learn about the Woven Faith Curricular Project in development at the UUA.

Candidate Awards

The following individuals were awarded credentials:

Credentialed Religious Educator – Advanced Level status:

- James Chase
- Dana Poss

RECC Business agenda items included:

- Delivery of the RECC Chair, Meeting Observer’s, and Professional Development Manager’s reports.

Dates and Location of Future RECC Meetings

The 2026 RECC meeting met online. Accommodating the dates of Easter, Passover and first/last days of Ramadan and adapting to the twice-annual interview schedule determined at the Spring 2026 RECC retreat, the schedule for future years’ meetings is as follows:

- The 2027 RECC meetings will take place Sun 4/11/27 – Tues 4/13/27 and Fri 10/8/27 – Sun 10/11/27.
- The 2028 RECC meetings will take place Sun 4/23/28 – Tues 4/25/28 and Fri 10/13/28 – Sun 10/16/28.

Committee Member Changes

The Rev. Emily Gage finishes her tenure with the committee June 30, 2026 and the Rev. Claudia Jimenez has accepted the role as chair. Linnea Nelson, CRE-LL, joined the team as the LREDA liaison in January 2026.


Credentialed Observer Report

Susanne Hinson-Rieger, CRE-AL presented the Credentialed Observer's Report, which is posted on uua.org.

Future Meetings

- The RECC will meet next for their quarterly meetings in July and October, 2026, as well as January, 2027.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3 pm ET on Wednesday, April 22, 2026.

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