**RECC Meeting**

**April 18, 2016 to April 22, 2016**

**24 Farnsworth Street - Boston, MA**

**Present:** Rev. Randy Becker, Kathleen Carpenter, Dr. Elias Ortega-Aponte, Peter Kandis, Rev. Christina Leone Tracy, Rev. Tandy Scheffler, Dr. Jenice View, Jan Gartner (UUA Professional Development Specialist), Sarah Lammert (Director of Ministries and Faith Development and Executive Secretary), Catherine Rowland (Professional Development Assistant and Recording Secretary), and Ann Kadlecek (Credentialed Observer)

The meeting convened at approximately 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 18th, 2016.

**Anti-Oppression, Anti-Racism, and Multicultural Issues**

The committee engaged in an AO/AR/MC exercise.

**Candidate Awards**

The following individual was awarded Credentialed Religious Educator - Master Level status:

* Gabrielle Farrell

The following individuals were awarded Credentialed Religious Educator – Credentialed Level status:

* Meredith Olson (pending)
* Kathy Smith
* Sheila Schuh
* Teresa Honey Youngblood
* Austen Petersen
* Jonathan Rogers
* Beryl Aschenberg
* Linnea Nelson

The following individuals were awarded Credentialed Religious Educator – Associate Level status:

* Beth Havlik
* Anonymous, at candidate’s request

**Associate Level Discussion**

The committee discussed the associate level credential, and the pros and cons of a formational process versus an evaluative process.

**Appeals Rule Discussion**

The committee discussed the appeals rule, and came to a consensus that people have the right to appeal a credential. Should someone wish to appeal a credential, they will take the issue up with the committee as a whole.

**2014 Clean Up Process**

The committee agreed to make the few small changes that need to be made to the 2014 Program Plan, and post the edited plan on uua.org.

**Credentialed Observer Report**

Ann Kadlecek presented the Credentialed Observer’s Report

**LREDA Report**

Kathleen Carpenter presented the LREDA Report

**Jan Gartner’s Reflection on Her Role**

Jan Gartner reflected on her role within the RECC and her relationship with the Committee.

**Committee’s Reflection on Jan Gartner’s Role**

The committee reflected on Jan’s role. The committee saw her as a visionary, an approachable person, easy to work with, one who holds tension with grace and skill, and one who is able to see the bigger picture as well as the details.

**Committee Member Changes**

Lay leader representatives Peter Kandis and Elias Ortega-Aponte joined the committee earlier this year (replacing former committee members) and this was the first meeting for both of them. The Committee anticipates two or three members rotating off at the end of the current term (June 2017).

**Future Meetings**

* Phone meeting: October 2016. Date is dependent on the start date of the new UUA Professional Development Specialist.
* Next in-person meeting will be from April 9th to April 14th, 2016 in Boston, MA.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 22nd, 2016.