

MINUTES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION

May 6, 2010

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Unitarian Universalist Association was held on Thursday, May 6, 2010 by electronic communication.

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Allen, Ballester, Bartlett, Blevins, Brody, Courter, Friedman, Gallagher, Greene, Harrison, Hawkins, King, Laskowski, Lund, Loughrey, Marx, Morrill, Phinney, Pupke, Rickter, Ritchie, Saunders, Shanti, Urbikas, Wooldridge, and Morales

MEMBERS

ABSENT: None

ALSO

PRESENT: Brennan, Gayeski, Limpert, Montgomery, and observers

Gini Courter, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm on Thursday, May 6, 2010. Jeanne Pupke provided opening words. The agenda was approved.

DISCUSSION OF 2012 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Trustees discussed the 2012 General Assembly, scheduled to be held in Phoenix, Arizona, in light of the passing of the anti-immigration Arizona Senate Bill 1070. Factual information was presented concerning the wishes and concerns of the Arizona congregational leadership, the immigration community, and other groups. The financial implications of a possible boycott were presented.

M (Morrill), S, and

VOTED: To place the following Business Resolution on the agenda of the 2010 General Assembly:

Business Resolution on Phoenix General Assembly 2012

Whereas the state of Arizona has recently enacted a law—SB 1070—that runs counter to our first principle, affirming the worth and dignity of every person,

Whereas the Association stands in solidarity with allies using a widespread economic boycott of Arizona as leverage for Love against this hateful legislation;

Be it resolved: we will not meet in a state of fear.

Accordingly, the Assembly hereby:

- Directs the UUA General Assembly Planning Committee to recommend to the Board of Trustees an alternate location for General Assembly 2012 at a location outside the state of Arizona;
- Pledges to generate from Member Congregations the amount sufficient to cancel arrangements in Phoenix for GA 2012;
- Pledges further to generate an equal or greater amount to fund ongoing efforts to Stand on the Side of Love in Arizona.
- Pledges to renew and redouble our efforts to become a multicultural, anti racist Association; to live as a people standing faithfully in opposition to systemic racism in our congregations, local communities, and in our own lives.

John Blevins asked that it be noted that he had voted against this motion.

LOCATION OF A BOARD MEETING

Discussion was held concerning the possibility of the Board of Trustees meeting in Phoenix, Arizona to signal solidarity with the community.

M (Morrill), S, and

VOTED: To hold a meeting of the UUA Board of Trustees in Phoenix, Arizona in either October 2010 or January 2011.

CLOSING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 pm, Eastern Daylight Time, Thursday, May 6, 2010. Jeanne Pupke provided closing words.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Kathleen Montgomery
Recording Secretary