

UUA Board of Trustees  
September 28, 2017

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**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION**

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Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Unitarian Universalist Association was held via Zoom conferencing.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tim Atkins, Greg Boyd, Kathy Burek, Susan Frederick-Gray, Barb Greve, Dick Jacke, Tanner Linden, Patrick McLaughlin, Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Denise Rimes, Christina Rivera, Bailey Saddlemire, Lucia Santini Field, Elandria Williams.

**ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANTS:** Carey McDonald, Stephanie Carey Maron, Tim Brennan, Mary Katherine Morn, Leslie Takahashi, Chip Roush, Caitlin Cotter

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**MEETING:** Co-Moderator Elandria Williams called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM EDT on Thursday, September 28, 2017. Co-Moderator Williams welcomed observers and guests, and Board members did a quick personal check-in.

Leslie Takahashi submitted a written report and anticipated budget as chair of the Commission for Institutional Change. She summarized the Commission's work up to this point, and took questions. The Board informally reiterated its original charge to the Commission and affirmed the Commission's full independence, and thanked the Commission for notifying the Board of its anticipated budget. Staff indicated they plan to bring a resolution to the October meeting to authorize additional funds for this fiscal year, and to have a further conversation about the Commission's intended budget.

Caitlin Cotter submitted a written report as a co-chair of the Moderator Search Committee. Members reviewed the Committee's working list of qualifications and offered feedback. They additionally noted the confusing timing of the 2018 special election for Moderator, which will happen after the 2019 moderator candidates are announced.

Reviewing the plan year to change the Annual Program Fund formula, Financial Advisor Lucia Santini Field and Director of Stewardship and Development Mary Katherine Morn related that two additional regions will make the shift in the next fiscal year. Director

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Morn also offered an update on the fundraising for the Black Lives of Unitarian Univesalism commitment.

Kathy Burek moved to approve a financial transfer at the request of UBS Bank, brought by Treasurer Tim Brennan, and Tim Atkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed upcoming plans for General Assembly 2018 in Kansas City, MO. Co-Moderator Williams and Vice Moderator Denise Rimes, President Frederick-Gray and Chief Operating Officer Carey McDonald described their participation in the September GA planning meetings. Topics included contact with local congregations, holistic safety for attendees, possible support for local organizing, planning for scholarships, ideas for the public witness event, and planning for promoting GA attendance.

Co-Moderator Williams briefly described the planning process for the October meeting and retreat.

Board members offered a quick check-out.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Co-Moderator Williams adjourned the meeting at 9:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Carey McDonald  
Recording Secretary

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES SCHEDULE**

- **Meeting: October 2017, Boston, MA**  
Thursday, October 12 - Saturday, October 14, 2017
- **Videoconference Meeting: November 2017**  
Thursday, November 16, 2017  
Meeting URL: <http://zoom.us/j/885571336>

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Meeting ID: 885 571 336

Phone: (646) 558-8656

- **Videoconference Meeting: December 2017**  
Thursday, December 14, 2017  
Meeting URL: <http://zoom.us/j/700936217>  
Meeting ID: 700 936 217  
Phone: (646) 558-8656
- **Meeting: January, 2018, Highlander Center in New Market, TN**  
Friday, January 19 - Saturday, January 20, 2018
- **Videoconference Meeting: February 2018**  
Thursday, February 22, 2018  
Meeting URL: <http://zoom.us/j/760537802>  
Meeting ID: 760 537 802  
Phone: (646) 558-8656
- **Videoconference Meeting: March 2018**  
Thursday, March 22, 2018  
Meeting URL: <http://zoom.us/j/178430852>  
Meeting ID: 178 430 852  
Phone: (646) 558-8656
- **Meeting: April, 2018, Boston, MA**  
Friday, April 20 - Saturday, April 21, 2018
- **Videoconference Meeting: May 2018**  
Thursday, May 24, 2018  
Meeting URL: <http://zoom.us/j/525980325>  
Meeting ID: 525 980 325  
Phone: (646) 558-8656
- **Meetings: June 2018, Kansas City, MO**  
Tuesday, June 19—Wednesday, June 20: Board of Trustees Meeting  
Wednesday, June 20—Sunday June 24: General Assembly  
Monday, June 25: Board of Trustees Meeting