

UUA Board of Trustees  
June 21 & 22, 2016

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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 on Tuesday, June 21 and Wednesday, June 22, 2016 in Columbus, Ohio (in the days before General Assembly 2016).

**MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Tim Atkins, Greg Boyd, Andy Burnette, Rob Eller-Isaacs, Dorothy Holmes, Jim Key, Larry Ladd, Patrick McLaughlin, Peter Morales, Denise Rimes, Christina Rivera, Michael Sallwasser, Julian Sharp, and James Snell.

**MEMBERS**

**ABSENT:** None.

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:** Tim Brennan, Olivia Calvi (youth observer), Sarah Lammert, Caleb Leman (youth observer), Harlan Limpert, and observers.

Jim Key, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 9:28 AM on Tuesday, June 21, 2016. Board members and guests introduced themselves.

All board members read the covenant out loud in unison.

Andy Burnette moved to approve the consent agenda. It was approved with no changes. The consent agenda included the following motions:

- Approval of the UUA Board Minutes from 4-15 & 16, 2016
- Approval of the UUA Board Minutes from 5-6-2016
- Approval of the UUA Board Executive Session Minutes of 4-16-2016
- Approval of the motion by the Governance Working Group to delay review of Monitoring Report 2.2 until October 2016
- Approval of policy and rule changes of the Religious Education Credentialing Committee (RECC)

The following reports were presented:

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – Peter Morales presented his president's report.

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**MODERATOR'S REPORT** – Jim Key presented his moderator's report.

**VICE MODERATOR'S REPORT** – Denise Rimes presented her vice moderator's report.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** – Rob Eller-Isaacs presented his secretary's report.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Tim Brennan presented his treasurer's report.

**FINANCIAL ADVISOR'S REPORT** – Larry Ladd presented his financial advisor's report.

**EMERGING CONGREGATIONS WORKING GROUP REPORT** – James Snell presented the report from the Emerging Congregations working group.

**DISCUSSION OF WORKING GROUPS AND ASSIGNMENTS** – Jim Key proposed committee assignments and the UUA Board Work Plan for the coming year.

**GOVERNANCE & POLICIES WORKING GROUP REPORT (Part 1)** – It was agreed that the topic of “what to measure” will be part of the board conversation at the October board meeting with, perhaps, a discussion of what the board *currently monitors*, what it *could* monitor, and what it *will* monitor in the future (Rob Eller-Isaacs' suggestion).

**CONGREGATIONAL BOUNDARIES WORKING GROUP REPORT** – Denise Rimes presented an update from the Congregational Boundaries Working Group.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Rob Eller-Isaacs made a motion to move into Executive Session (no second needed). Patrick McLaughlin moved to stay in Executive Session for the purpose of considering nominations. Motion carried.

Upon returning from Executive Session Michael Sallwasser announced with gratitude and appreciation that:

- Kathleen Gaffney was approved to serve as the Investment Committee Chair.
- Kathy Mulvey was approved to serve as the Socially Responsible Investing Committee Co-Chair
- Mandolin Restivo was approved to serve on the Journey Toward Wholeness Transformation Committee
- The Rev. Dr. Kristin Harper was affirmed as a UU Ministers Association (UUMA) appointee on the Ministerial Fellowship Committee (MFC)
- Dr. Donald Brunnquell was approved as a board-appointed member of the MFC

### **GOVERNANCE & POLICIES WORKING GROUP REPORT (Part 2)**

Andy Burnette made a motion to on behalf of the Governance & Policies Working Group that policy 4.0 be changed to read, “The board's connection to the administration is through the

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president.” It currently reads, “The board’s sole official connection to the operational organization, its achievements and conduct will be through the president.” Motion passed.

**PROCESS OBSERVATION**

James Snell shared process observations and at 3:00 PM Moderator Key declared the meeting recessed until Wednesday morning.

**MEETING RECOVERED**

Jim Key, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 after Sarah Dan Jones led the board in a centering exercise. Board members and guests introduced themselves.

**RENEWING THE COVENANT TASKFORCE REPORT** – Susan Ritchie presented a report from the Renewing the Covenant Taskforce and a discussion occurred.

Patrick McLaughlin made a motion to move into Executive Session. Michael Sallwasser made a motion to remain in Executive Session.

Upon returning Michael Sallwasser announced that Christian Schmidt had been approved to serve as a member of the Open UUA Committee.

Moderator Jim Key announced that Christina Rivera had been selected a financial secretary.

James Snell moved that the following resolution be passed:

The Board affirms the transition of the Redding UU Fellowship out of UUA member congregation status so that it may be fully recognized as a covenanting community by staff. This transition is understood as an opportunity to explore what such transitions mean for the Association and to determine general guidelines for when a transition from member congregation to covenanting community is appropriate.

The resolution passed.

**PROCESS OBSERVATION**

Dorothy Holmes shared process observations and at noon Moderator Key declared the meeting recessed until Monday, June 27, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Harlan Limpert  
Clerk

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES SCHEDULE**

- **Meeting: October 2016, Manhasset, NY (at UU Congregation at Shelter Rock)**  
Thursday, October 13 - Saturday, October 15, 2016
- **Conference Call: November 2016**  
Thursday, November 17, 2016  
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM (Eastern)
- **Conference Call: December 2016**  
Thursday, December 15, 2016  
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM (Eastern)
- **Meeting: January, 2017, Boston, MA**  
Friday, January 27 - Saturday, January 28, 2017
- **Conference Call: February 2017**  
Thursday, February 23, 2017  
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM (Eastern)
- **Conference Call: March 2017**  
Thursday, March 23, 2017  
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM (Eastern)
- **Meeting: April, 2017, Boston, MA**  
Friday, April 21 - Saturday, April 22, 2017
- **Conference Call: May 2017**  
Thursday, May 25, 2017  
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM (Eastern)
- **Meetings: June 2017, New Orleans, LA**  
Tuesday, June 20—Wednesday, June 21: Board of Trustees Meeting  
Wednesday, June 21—Sunday June 25: General Assembly  
Monday, June 26: Board of Trustees Meeting
- **Meeting: October 2017, Boston, MA**  
Thursday, October 19 - Saturday, October 21, 2017
- **Meeting: January, 2018, Boston, MA**  
Friday, January 19 - Saturday, January 20, 2018

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- **Meeting: April, 2018, Boston, MA**  
Friday, April 20 - Saturday, April 21, 2018
  
- **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