Election Campaign Practices Committee (ECPC):
Meeting by telephone, June 9, 2016, 2 PM;
Meeting by online conference, June 16, 2016, 3 PM

Telephone meeting June 9

Participants: Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Chair; Elisabeth McGregor; KC Slack; UUA Secretary Rob Eller-Isaacs for portion of meeting

The call was delayed and brief due to schedule mix-ups, and hampered by meeting service technical problems which required resorting to phone only. The setup of the candidates’ forum at General Assembly was briefly discussed, but the bulk of the meeting was postponed until June 16. We agreed to ask for timing support, and to provide a system for GA participants to submit questions in advance, making it clear that all questions will be asked to all three candidates.

Action items agreed on:
Manish will check with candidates about their preferences on using the plenary hall timing system.
Manish will check with Rob about the Board's plan for regional candidate events and about his role in soliciting and receiving questions for candidates at GA, and provide an announcement about submitting questions that can be used in earlier general sessions.
Beth will coordinate with GA Planning Committee on logistics for the forum.
KC will check with Margy Levine Young about setting up the elections forum and what address for it we should share at GA.
KC will draft a short paper form that GA attendees can use to submit questions for the candidates as alternative to email to elections@uua.org.

Meeting by online conference, June 16
Participants: Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Chair; Elisabeth McGregor; KC Slack

We confirmed that there are three official candidates at this time, and that their covenant will be ready and posted on the Elections page soon.

Candidates’ Forum:
Two of the three candidates responded to Manish's inquiry about use of the general session time clock and bells and agreed with it, so we'll use the system.
One requested that there be nothing projected behind them while they're speaking.
Manish passed along the information to the candidates that the forum will be captioned and recommended submitting the text of their opening remarks to the GA Planning Committee at gaplenary@uua.org and nightcoaster@yahoo.com (Tim Murphy) before Wed. morning 6/22.
All participants should be in the hall at 12:45 on 6/25 for a light and sound check.
Beth has provided Tim Murphy with the needed logistical information; she will confirm and let him know we will use the timing system. We reviewed the specifications for slides and decided not to use them. She will continue to work with him on stage setup, script and other logistical issues.
Soliciting and selecting questions for forum:
Manish will give text of an announcement inviting submission of questions to Rob Eller-Isaacs and Jim Key for announcing in Thursday and Friday general sessions. Questions will be submitted by email to us at elections@uua.org, or on a short paper form KC will create to leave in the Secretary's box in the GA volunteer office (Convention Center Room 111) We're asked by GAPC to keep paper use to a minimum. Beth will transcribe all questions received. Manish will meet with Rob at 5:30 Friday to pick up any questions given directly to him.

Meetings at GA:
The committee will meet briefly and informally Thursday 6/23 at 1:30 pm to check on logistics, and at greater length on Friday evening 6/24 at 7:30 pm to prioritize, combine and assemble up to ten questions.

Respectfully submitted,
Elisabeth McGregor
Secretary, ECPC