

**RECC Meeting  
April 2-7, 2017  
24 Farnsworth Street - Boston, MA**

**Present:** Rev. Dr. Randy Becker, Kathleen Carpenter, Dr. Elias Ortega-Aponte, Peter Kandis, Rev. Christina Leone Tracy, Rev. Tandy Scheffler, Dr. Jenice View, Pat Kahn (Professional Development Programs Manager), Rev. Sarah Lammert (Director of Ministries and Faith Development and Executive Secretary), Rob Kipp (Professional Development Assistant and Recording Secretary) and Linnea Nelson (Credentialed Observer).

The meeting convened at approximately 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 2, 2017.

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

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

**Candidate Awards**

The following individuals were awarded Credentialed Religious Educator - Master Level status:

- Anna Bethea
- Dawn Star Sarahs-Borchelt

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

- Starr Austin
- Michelle Bishop
- Jamaine Cripe
- Juliet Donaldson
- Indigo Lewis
- Ann Richards
- Rich Roberts
- Robin Slaw

**Associate Level Discussion**

The committee approved the new 2017 program plan, which combines the Associate level from 2009 plan with the Credentialed and Master level from 2014 plan, with corresponding changes to better align the three levels. The new plan has been posted on uua.org.

**Scoring System and Continuum of Competencies**

The committee discussed issues related to the scoring system for the Self-Assessment of Competencies such as it starts at “meets expectations” – there is nothing below that and also no mid-point. A team will update the Continuum of Competencies to include all levels of Credentialing and propose a new scoring system that better meets the needs of the program.

**Technology Lens**

The RECC approved the proposed changes to the Technology lens designed to add clarity about expectations. These will be reflected in the new program plan.

**Graduate Courses for Master Level**

The RECC will review graduate level courses being offered by UU seminaries and explore possible new venues such as the UU House of Studies at MTSO (Methodist Theological School of Ohio).

### **Updating the Resource List**

The Resource list will be updated to include all levels of Credentialing, and be made sortable by title, author, competency area and level required. The RECC will look into getting a consultant to develop an overall plan for updating the Resource list on a regular basis.

### **Credentialed Observer Report**

Linnea Nelson presented the Credentialed Observer's Report which is posted on uua.org.

### **LREDA Report**

Kathleen Carpenter presented the LREDA Report.

### **Committee Member Changes**

Rev. Tandy Scheffler and Dr. Jenice View are competing their terms on the RECC as of June 2017. Sara Lewis has been nominated to be the Master Level Credentialed Religious Educator and Art Nava to be the new lay leader representative pending UUA Board approval. The Rev. Dr. Randy Becker will be Chair of the RECC for the two remaining years of his term, after which the Master Level Credentialed Religious Educator will assume the Chair position.

### **Future Meetings**

- Phone meeting: October 2017 (week of October 23-27).
- Next in-person meeting will be from April 8<sup>th</sup> to April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Boston, MA.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:00 p.m. on Friday, April 7, 2017.