

# **AUGUST 1, 2017 UUA BOARD MEETING MOTIONS**

## **Trustee Appointment Motion**

Moved and passed that Denise Rimes be appointed to fill the unexpired Trustee term vacated on 21 June 2017.

## **First Vice Moderator Election Motion**

Moved and passed that Denise Rimes be elected to fill the balance of the unexpired term of First Vice Moderator.

*Excerpted from the meeting minutes: We thank Denise Rimes for her dedicated service as Vice Moderator before General Assembly where her leadership and collaboration ensured the Board was prepared for its responsibilities to the Association after the resignation as Moderator and subsequent death of Jim Key. We also thank her for her service as Moderator during GA and through the months leading up to these appointments as Co-Moderator.*

*In accepting the temporary appointment as Moderator, Denise vacated her position as Trustee. The Board continues to value the experience and perspectives that Denise brings to leadership in our Association. Thus, in accordance with our bylaws that mandate we fill any vacancy on the Board, we have appointed Denise as a Trustee to fill the vacancy that was created when she was appointed as Moderator. We have also elected her as First Vice Moderator to continue in an executive leadership role in service to our Association and in assistance to the Co-Moderators.*

## **Creation of the Position of Co-Moderator Motion**

Moved and passed that the Board create the appointed non-salaried Officer position of Co-Moderator whose role, duties, and responsibilities are defined below:

- The Co-Moderator shall preside at General Assemblies and meetings of the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee. The Co-Moderator shall represent the Association on special occasions and shall assist in promoting its welfare (Article VIII, Section 8.8 Moderator).
- The Co-Moderator must consult and make decisions collaboratively with the Moderator.
- In any instance that references the power, authority, duty, responsibility, or other role of the Moderator in the Bylaws of the Unitarian Universalist Association or the Policies of its Board of Trustees, the Co-Moderator and Moderator will work together to exercise whatever is specified.

## **Moderator Appointment Motion**

Moved and passed that the Board appoint Barb Greve to the office of Moderator for the role of the Moderator as defined in the bylaws; that the Moderator must consult

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and make decisions collaboratively with the Co-Moderator; and further, that in any instance that references the power, authority, duty, responsibility, or other role of the Moderator in the Bylaws of the Unitarian Universalist Association or the Policies of its Board of Trustees that the Moderator and Co-Moderator will work together to exercise whatever is specified.

### **Co-Moderator Appointment Motion**

Moved and passed that the Board appoint Elandria Williams to the appointed non-salaried office of Co-Moderator.

*Excerpted from the meeting minutes: With the appointment of Co-Moderators, it is the continued commitment of the Board to model shared leadership at all levels of denominational life. While for the purposes of the bylaws one person will be deemed Moderator and the other Co-Moderator, in all other regards, the positions will be co-equal, sharing leadership and jointly exercising the powers, roles, duties, and responsibilities of the Moderator. The Co-Moderators have already entered a covenantal process to ensure their ability to live up to this intent and expectation of shared leadership.*

*The Board also lifts up that Unitarian Universalists and our Unitarian Universalist Association have restarted many conversations on race, racism, diversity, and full multicultural transformational inclusion. We pledge to continue these conversations and encourage the Co-Moderators to continue this work as it relates specifically to the office of Moderator. We welcome leadership that we know will build on the ongoing work of the Commission for Institutional Change and the lived experience of being committed lifelong Unitarian Universalists resisting and dismantling oppression through community, collaboration, and love.*