



The 2050 Future

Scenario Planning for the UUA Board
Of Trustees
April 2012



Today's session

- Why scenario planning?
- What we need from the Board
 - Commitment to purpose and timetable
 - Affirm charter of the Scenario team
- Presenting issues (adding if needed)
- Ranking and selecting the dimensions for the scenarios
- Signing up for scenario teams



First, let me tell you a story...

The Mont Fleur Scenarios
South Africa, 1991



Mont Fleur Scenarios

- Ostrich
- Lame Duck
- Icarus
- Flying with the Flamingos



Scenario Planning

- A way of envisioning enough alternative futures to get better understanding of what are most successful strategies today
- Typically 2-5 scenarios created by the Scenario Team (this Board and non-voting regular attendees)
- Major part of value is dialogue among Scenario Team members during the process



What differences do we want to make in Unitarian Universalism for whom and at what priority by the year 2050?

Given each of these alternative futures, what ends do we wish we had focused on in 2012?



Steps in the Process

- Identify trends and issues
- Select two issues based on relative impact and uncertainty to assign the dimensions of 2-5 scenarios
- Write scenarios using the identified trends and other issues to tell a story about 2050
- Identify potential ends for each scenario



Steps in the Process

- Identify trends and issues (Jan and Apr)
- Select two issues based on relative impact and uncertainty to assign the dimensions of 2-5 scenarios (Apr)
- Write scenarios using the identified trends and other issues to tell a story about 2050 (May – Sep)
- Identify potential ends for each scenario (Oct)



*The Long Range
Scenario Planning
Team will design and
facilitate each of the steps
in the process through
October*



Questions?
Comments?





Agenda for this session

- Present issues categories LR Team
- Add any missing Graham
- Rank issues by impact Natty
- Connect with Spirit of life Clyde
- Rank issues by uncertainty Pat
- Create matrix and choose dimensions (LR Team after session)