

## UUABQ Board Meeting Minutes - 1/19/2021, 6:30 p.m.

### Virtual Attendees

Board Members: George Bakula, Heather Clark, Gina Kennedy, Marilyn O'Boyle, Faye Rafferty, Mikaela Renz-Whitmore, Raven Reed Starr, Sally Wistrand, Doug Loeschler, Aroop Mangalik, Angela Herrera (ex-officio member)

Guests: Bob LaVallee, John Wimberly

Absent: Dumas Slade

### Agenda / Minutes

Time	Item	Owner
6:30	<b>Chalice Lighting and Check-In</b>	<b>Mikaela</b>
A time to get centered and share anything that might affect how you engage in this meeting.		
6:35	<b>Consent agenda: Meeting minutes, executive report, staff report, president's report, treasurer's report</b>	<b>All</b>
Please review the meeting minutes from our Jan. 5 meeting and the other reports. Come with questions.		
Motion: Consent agenda items accepted as written Motion by: Faye Rafferty 2nd by: George Bakula Minutes: Passed unanimously		
6:45	<b>Vote on head of staff</b>	<b>All</b>
Vote on whether to authorize Bob LaVallee as head of staff for the church during Angela's sabbatical.		
Motion: <b>Rev. Bob LaVallee is approved as head of staff for the church during Angela's sabbatical</b> Motion by: George Bakula 2 <sup>nd</sup> by: Mikaela Renz-Whitmore		
Minutes: Passed by unanimous vote		
6:50	<b>Annual Meeting and Town Hall update and preparation</b>	<b>Heather/Faye/All</b>
Discuss plans for annual meeting and town hall. Answer board's questions and ensure we have volunteer support for the annual meeting.		
Minutes: Voting will be done by polling. If the vote is close, we will resort to voting by Chat and state the votes will not be counted by the end of the meeting.		
7	<b>Strategic Planning Committee update</b>	<b>Mikaela</b>
Mikaela will update us on the strategic planning committee and lead a deep discussion of what we are called to be as a church.		
Minutes: This year was difficult for planning. Because Mikaela will be President of the Board in 2021, she will stay on the committee, but they will look for a new co-chair. They are setting the "reset" button. We discussed the different possibilities of goals the church could set for moving forward.		
7:15	<b>Discussion of carry-overs</b>	<b>All</b>
Discussion of what was left undone and could be carried over to the new board to get ongoing board members thinking about board priorities ahead of the retreat.		

Minutes: We went over the goals set at the start of 2020 and talked about which ones need to carry over into 2021. Board members went over things they thought needed to be addressed in this coming year.

<b>7:35</b>	<b>Retreat planning</b>	<b>Mikaela/ongoing board members</b>
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Save the Date discussion for the next board retreat.

Minutes: Mikaela discussed the upcoming Board Retreat. It will be a Zoom retreat. Some breaks and renewal time will be built into the meeting. It will involve relationship building and clarifying the roles. We will discuss how this board functions with shared governance.

<b>7:40</b>	<b>Consultant staffing report</b>	<b>John Wimberly</b>
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John Wimberly will present his report to the board and answer questions about his results.

Minutes: John Wimberly introduced himself and discussed his report There. He feels the Finance Committee should be much stronger. He answered questions from the Board members. There was discussion about what a strong Finance Committee looks like. The Board discussed how they felt about the report.

<b>8</b>	<b>Closing reflection and guided meditation for the board</b>	<b>Bob LaVallee/All</b>
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This is a time to reflect and be present for the last time as this board, as we walk through the year and reflect on our accomplishments.

<b>8:10</b>	<b>A time of gratitude</b>	<b>Heather/All</b>
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A time to thank all board members, and particularly the outgoing board members, for their service.

Minutes: We all said our Thank You's to the outgoing Board members.

<b>8:20</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	<b>All</b>
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**Key Dates: All dates subject to COVID-19 guidance**

- 1/24 Town Hall at 12:30 p.m. (virtual).
- 1/31 at 2 p.m. Annual Meeting (virtual).