

## UUABQ Board Meeting Agenda - 5/17/2022, 6:30 p.m.

### Virtual Attendees

**Board Members:** Dámaris Donado, Joyce Etheredge, Kathi Foy, Melisa Nicoud, Mikaela Renz-Whitmore, Maya Stephenson, The Rev. Angela Herrera (ex-officio member)

**Guests:** The Rev. Bob LaVallee, Intern Matthew Pargeter-Villarreal, Linda Skye, Martha Katelle, Tom           

**Absent:** George Bakula, Bill Slakey, Aroop Mangalik,

**Acting Secretary:** Bill Slakey

**Zoom:** 931 0879 7097

### Agenda / Minutes

Time	Item	Owner
6:30	<b>Chalice Lighting and Check-In</b>	<b>Bill</b>
A time to get centered and share with each other.		
6:40	<b>Consent agenda: Board meeting minutes, executive staff report, program staff report, president's report</b>	<b>All</b>
Board reviewed and past meeting minutes and reports.  Motion: Accept the reports and approve the minutes. Motion by: Joyce 2 <sup>nd</sup> by: Melisa Vote: Unanimous		
6:50	<b>Thank you Phone Call Check In</b>	<b>All</b>
Board discussed thank you calls requested by RadGen.  Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Board members got the best response rate calling from a number with an 505 area code and calling in the morning. Some board members had to leave messages for many on their list who didn't pick up.</li><li>- Most board members had good discussions with folks who answered.</li><li>- The contact list had a high percentage (up to 25%) of wrong numbers.</li><li>- One member shared that he didn't apply for 8th Principle Task Force because he thought it was too few people for the scope of the work.</li><li>- One person said the church is beating people over the head with the 8th principle (even though this person is in support).</li><li>- People were appreciative that Angela's back.</li><li>- One member asked about the conflict Angela alluded to in her leave communication and worried it was on the level/scope of the schism Christine Robinson faced early in her ministry.</li><li>- A couple people asked about the Arc building, and some were supportive that we bought the building before the market took a big upswing.</li><li>- Several people who said they are not currently attending in-person or virtually are questioning whether they will return to church.</li><li>- Many folks were just happy someone from the Board called.</li></ul>		
7:00	<b>GA Delegates</b>	<b>All</b>
Board voted on delegates to General Assembly in June 2022. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● George Bakula</li><li>● Jane E. Davis</li></ul>		

- Carrie Engelstad
- Mara Hoffman
- Laira Magnusson
- Mikaela Renz-Whitmore
- Peggy Roberts
- Alana Rodriguez
- Rebecca Steele

Motion: Approve these delegates.

Motion by: Melisa

2<sup>nd</sup> by: Carla

Vote: Unanimous

Minutes:

- These are great delegates and good people.

<b>7:10</b>	<b>Mural Appraisal Discussion</b>	<b>Angela</b>
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Board discussed a summary of actions taken by Sara Friedrich in the past few years.

Minutes:

- The church currently has insurance of \$50,000 for the mural. The question is whether that amount is appropriate, given the mural's appraised value. The mural has never been appraised.
- Sara requested permission from the board to move forward with finding grant money to fund an art appraisal for the mural.
- Sara will check with the church's current insurance company about whether they would accept the appraisal for insurance purposes.
- The board will determine once we have an appraisal what to do about the insurance.
- Given that the mural has become a symbol of our church, many board members agreed that it's important to preserve the mural as a whole and as much as possible, in the interest of the church and for the future.
- Security is also important to protect the mural from vandalism/attack, given that it symbolizes our liberal faith.
  - The church has an alarm system with motion sensors. Each staff member has a different code, so we know who and where and what time the alarm is turned off.
  - A private security service does a nightly patrol.
- The board talked about this as one of many capital improvements that need to be balanced and prioritized, given too few resources to tackle all our capital needs.
- In order to be stewards of our resources for our community, the board agreed that a grant funding would be appropriate to cover the cost of the appraisal.

<b>7:20</b>	<b>8th Principle Task Force</b>	<b>All</b>
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Board reviewed and voted on the charge to create the 8th Principle Task Force, including members.

Motion: Approve the 8th Principle Task Force Charge

Motion by: Melisa

2<sup>nd</sup> by: Kathi

Vote: Unanimous

Minutes:

- The board discussed the number of members specified by the charge and affirmed that 5 was a good number for a high-functioning group, particularly as the group is charged with organizing and summarizing the work of others more so than doing all the work themselves.
- The board discussed all the applicants and decided to approve the following members:

- Board representatives:
  - Dámaris Donado (Co-chair)
  - Maya Stephenson
- Congregation members (Co-chair to be chosen when they convene):
  - Heather Clark
  - Jane Davis
  - Gary Carlson

<b>7:45</b>	<b>June Book Club Coordination</b>	<b>Joyce</b>
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Board discussed logistics for Saturday, June 4 at 9 a.m. - noon

Minutes:

- Book: Subtle Acts of Exclusion
- Food
  - Joyce - muffins
- Drinks
  - Melisa - Coffee
  - Mikaela - Juice, Sparkling water
- Sound accommodation
  - Bob to be there to set up microphones
  - Joyce sent Aroop email to bring his own headset
- Set up
  - Maya
  - Melisa
  - Carla
  - Damaris
- Clean up
  - Mikaela
  - (Will ask George / Aroop / Bill to help)

<b>7:55</b>	<b>Widening the Circle</b>	<b>Linda Skye</b>
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Board discussed and voted on a request by the Widening the Circle group, in the absence of having the 8th Principle team in place to begin allocating the funds.

Motion: approve \$ button maker  
 Motion by: Joyce  
 2<sup>nd</sup> by: Melisa  
 Vote: Unanimous

Minutes:

- Mistakes & Miracles Book Groups - 36 members signed up for 6 book groups
- Widening the Circle has trained the facilitators
- WTC will make lapel buttons - “now’s the time for 8th principle” (or similar)
  - Button maker - \$140 with 500 blanks
- WTC would like to host an event to watch the Ware Lecture

<b>7:55</b>	<b>Gratitude Practice</b>	<b>All</b>
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Recognized person: Nancy Shane - Coffee Crew - Kathi  
 Recognized person: Stephen Phillips - Interviewing Facilities Manager - Kathi

Matthew Pargeter-Villareal shared his appreciation for the learning he did watching the board for the past 10 months and thought it was one of the most helpful things in his internship - watching conflict handled intentionally within the community covenant.

<b>8:00</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	<b>All</b>
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**Key Dates: All dates subject to COVID-19 guidance**

- Board book club: Saturday, June 4, 10 am
- Coffee with Board: Sunday, June 19
  - Zoom, 10 am - CANCELED
  - In-person, noon: George, Melisa
- Next board meeting: Tuesday, June 21
  - Mikaela will not be able to attend
  - Angela will not be able to attend
  - No one signed up for chalice lighting / notes