

Florida District Unitarian Universalist Association
Board of Trustees business meeting
July 13-14, 2012 in Sebring, FL
Minutes
Approved Aug. 16, 2012

Friday July 13

Present: Ila Klion, president; Harvey Heckes, vice president; Margie Manning, secretary; Rachel Christensen, trustee; Rev. Kenn Hurto, lead executive, UUA Southern Region.

Absent: Al Tweedy, treasurer.

5:00 pm Opening words, chalice lighting, welcome by Ila Klion.

Rachel Christensen was appointed process observer.

There was a discussion of the history of the Florida District, the Southern Region and the Orlando Platform. The discussion continued through a working dinner, followed by a check-in and getting to know each other exercise.

8:50 p.m. Worship by Rachel Christensen.

9 p.m. Recess

Saturday July 14

Present: Ila Klion, president; Harvey Heckes, vice president; Al Tweedy, treasurer; Margie Manning, secretary; Rachel Christensen, trustee; Rev. Kenn Hurto, lead executive, UUA Southern Region.

9 a.m. Chalice light, reading by Al Tweedy.

Rachel continued to serve as process observer.

9:15 a.m. Building our covenant of working together.

There was a discussion of several concepts for a board covenant

9:45 a.m. Current board business

Rev. Kenn Hurto reviewed the Florida District financial statements, including the profit & loss statement, budget and balance sheet.

Monitoring reports for May 2012 and July 2012. Rachel Christensen moved to accept the monitoring reports for May 2012 and July 2012, Al Tweedy seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Bank signature card. Margie Manning moved approval of a board resolution to make changes to the bank signature card with the following authorized signers: Ila Klion, president; Al Tweedy, treasurer; Rachel Christensen, trustee; Rev. Kenn Hurto. Harvey Heckes seconded. The resolution was approved unanimously.

Affirmation of check-signing privileges. Al Tweedy moved approval of the following resolution: The Florida Board authorizes the District Administrator to serve as an authorized signer the of the District's checking account upon retaining *Minding Your Own Business* as the District's bookkeeper. Rachel Christensen seconded. The resolution was approved unanimously.

Approval of site for 2013 Florida District assembly. Al Tweedy moved approval of Fort Myers as the site for the 2013 Florida District assembly. Harvey Heckes seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

10:45 a.m. Leadership Development Committee

There was a discussion of the Leadership Development Committee, created in the amended bylaws approved at the Florida District annual business meeting March 23, 2012. Ila Klion will invite the six elected committee members for a joint meeting with the board in November 2012.

12: 15 p.m. Lunch

1:25 p.m. Circle of Elders

There was a discussion of the Circle of Elders, as outlined in the Orlando Platform. There was consensus that the Circle of Elders as described in the Orlando Platform was distinct from Elders who serve as adjunct staff and for whom the staff of the Southern Region is held accountable.

To clarify lines of responsibility, Al Tweedy made the following motion: On the circle of elders concepts slide, adjunct staff was removed from the circle of elders and put under the Southern Region staff. Rachel Christensen seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Board members offered names of several individuals as potential "starter elders" to help flesh out the concept of the Circle of Elders. Six will be invited to attend the meeting with the board and the leadership development committee in November.

A discussion of Board linkage and Governance monitoring was tabled to the next meeting.

3:15 p.m. Parking/Bike rack

There was a discussion of possible themes for the Florida District assembly in 2013. Rev. Kenn Hurto will offer a proposal to the board at a future date.

Board members agreed to call congregations in arrears on dues.

Covenant: Rachel Christensen moved to approve the board covenant based on concepts offered, pending wordsmithing. Al Tweedy seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Assigned board tasks were reviewed:

Ila : Contact Leadership Development Committee for the fall retreat.

Al: Ascertain name of nominee for Circle of Elders

All members: Give contact information for Circle of Elders nominees and top three choices for Circle of Elders to Rachel by Saturday, July 21.

Ila : Type covenant and send it around

All members: Call presidents of congregations in arrears on dues

3:30 p.m. Future meetings

The following dates were set for future board meetings:

Thursday, Aug. 16, 8 p.m – conference call

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 8 p.m. – conference call

Tuesday, Oct. 30, 8 p.m. – conference call

November – precise dates to be determined – joint meeting of board, leadership development committee and initial circle of elders team

3:50 p.m. Checkout and worship, reading by Ila Klion

3:57 p.m. Adjournment