

**UUPCC Board Meeting**  
**Friday, Sept. 5, 2014**  
Minutes

**Members Present:** Ann Gary, Gary Smith, Eileen Higgins, Jennifer Emrich, Melody Moberg, Diane Rollert, Beverly Moore, Kelly Crocker, Executive Director Cathy Cordes

**Members Absent:** Roger Bertschausen, Eric Cherry

**Also Present:** Office Administrator Lyssa Andersson

A meeting of the UUPCC Board was held on Sept. 5, 2014 by Zoom video and teleconferencing. Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 12:10 am.

Cordes introduced Lyssa Andersson. the new office administrator.

**Minutes**

**Higgins moved and Cook seconded;**

**Voted: To approve the minutes from Thursday June 26 and Friday June 27, 2014**

**Executive Director's Report**

Cordes reported on fundraising and planned giving projects and gave an update on the status of the UUPCC application to the IRS for non-profit status.

Cordes has recently returned from Transylvania where she met with many people and worked on various initiatives with good outcomes.

Cordes has been orienting Andersson to the job.

**Travel Report.**

Ann Gary reported that John Dale is in the US due to his mother's hospitalization, and Csilla Kolcsar is overseeing the last two trips of the season.

**Nominating Committee**

Kelly Crocker thanked Gary Smith for finding a candidate for treasurer and George Davenport for recruiting him. Rick Irwin has agreed to be Treasurer. He is a retired actuary and a member of the Atlanta North UU congregation. He has recently been to the Khasi Hills.

**Crocker moved, Gary seconded**

**Voted: To elect Rick Irwin to fill an unexpired board member term to 2016.**

**Crocker moved, Rollert seconded**

**Voted: To elect Rick Irwin Treasurer of UUPCC Board for the 2014-15 year.**

Cordes will notify Irwin that he is elected and alert him to the next conference call.

## **Transylvania Youth Camp**

Emrich reported that she traveled with a confirmation camp of 13-14 yr olds in Transylvania this July. They started in Koloszvár and traveled to sacred sites and many churches. Emrich was there to investigate the potential for joint U.S. and Transylvanian youth camp possibilities

There is more energy about creating something new at the national level instead of blending US youth into what already exists. There is great interest about this among Transylvanian teenagers, who are so smart and deep about getting to know US teenagers. They want to know why Americans keep coming here.

Other churches might like to have the original type of church-to-church youth camp. That could work independently at the regional or church level. The Assistant Bishop's wife – Gizi Nagy - suggested we try youth RE classes on-line during the year with curriculum written jointly by US and Transylvania youth advisors.

## **Fundraising**

Consultant Laurel Amabile joined the meeting to speak with the board. She sent information for board to read. She thanked those who took on contact during GA. The overall goal of an additional funding is \$60K that would allow us to take on core initiatives. It is good for donors to know where the focus is and how funds will be used. She sent development information to the board to share with donors. Once we share with donors and know their interests, then we can report back to donors. Send the number of people you will contact to Amabile, if you are willing to reach out.

The GA reception was well attended. There was a lot of interest and friends and conversations. Send the information you collected on the potential donors so that we have the list of how we distributed people at GA. Amabile needs your input.

Cordes explained that the Idea of calls is to cultivate people, not ask for money on the first meeting. If anyone needs help, call Cordes. She has done that with Higgins.

Cordes has also identified people who can do house parties in San Mateo and in Seattle-- and maybe in San Francisco. Several people will do parties on the East Coast.

Smith will send a reminder to all board members to get word back to Amabile. He thanked Amabile.

Emrich noted that it sounds like we are ready for proposals on summer camps. We might want to pair them with prospects for fund raising

## **Membership Materials**

Higgins reported that she and Rollert have reviewed the brochures. There is still a lot of heart for a start-up weekend. They have reviewed CCB and will work on the start-up weekend. Maybe a section of start-up should be devoted to cultural awareness or sensitivity

Rollert suggested maybe there should first be an hour for them to look into their hearts and to realize where they are on intercultural sensitivity and their own assumptions about their own culture. She put together a workshop for GA that was successful. That began with the golden rule; we assume that it is what others want as well as us. She will put something together.

Cordes would like to roll out sooner rather than later. Roger Bertschausen was going to contact Sarasota and Savannah to see if they would like to sponsor a trial. We need a whole weekend. Higgins noted that new partnerships should not be doing CCB but should just know about it to use later. Basic ground work on partnership is to be done first.

Smith asked Cordes to get back with Bertschausen. Rollert is aware that not everyone can give up all weekends. We may need some trainer things so might video the first weekend.

### **Involving Board Members**

Smith asked the new board members what interest them. We have let liaison work slide. If anyone would be interested in being a liaison to report on different areas, please let him know. He would like all board members involved.

Smith reminded the board of the next meeting. The group decided to meet next on Oct. 3. Next time, Smith would like members to log on early, so we can start on time.

### **Future 2014 Meeting dates:**

- Oct 3
- Nov 14
- Dec 12

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Beverly Moore, Secretary

Approved by the Board October 3, 2014/bdm