**Board minutes**

**Thursday, March 19, 2015**

**Conference Call**

**Approved 4/11/2015**

**Board Members Present**

Dennis Wellnitz (Vice President, Acting President), Paul Pinson (Treasurer), Carla Johnson (Secretary), Nancy Janssen (At Large), Rev Keith Coheen (At Large), Rev David Pyle (District Executive), Justis Tuia (At Large)

**Absent**:

Christian Hartranft (At Large)

**Agenda**

* Check In
* Opening Words
* Consent Agenda
  + - Approve Minutes of Feb 13-14 Board of Directors meeting
* Motion for nominations to the Credentials Committee (Carla)
* Treasurer's Report (Paul Pinson)
* District Executive's Report (David Pyle)
* Nominating Committee report (Dennis Wellnitz for Nominating Committee) o
* District Assembly Update (David Pyle, others)
* New Business
* Closing Words

**Motions and Decisions**

1. Approve consent agenda
   1. Approved unanimously
2. Approve nominations of Carla Johnson, Justis Tuia and Paul Pinson to be the Credentials Committee for 2015.
   1. Moved Nancy Janssen
   2. Second Paul Pinson
   3. Motion passed unanimously
3. Adjourn meeting.
   1. Moved Paul Pinson
   2. Approved unanimously

**Meeting Notes**

Opening Words – Paul Pinson

Consent Agenda – approved unanimously

Motion for nominations to the Credentials Committee – (Carla Johnson)

* + Description of credentials Committee
  + Paul Pinson, Justis Tuia volunteered to be on committee

Treasurer's Report (Paul Pinson)

* + Reserves are enough to sustain us for at least 2 months, unless we go further negative than we are now.

District Executive's Report (David Pyle)

* + Budget – same place as at end of December timing wise. New invoices go out on April 1.
    - District assembly and healthy congregations are income generating for program budget
    - Healthy congregations #1 had to turn people away. 44 people attended.
      * 3 more sessions of healthy congregations scheduled this spring at Towsend congregation
      * Two in fall – 1 Wilmington area and 1 in Northern Washington area. Same time.
      * Based on assessment of the need for this work
      * Will be available for some of the incoming new ministers and their congregations
  + District Assembly
    - Registrations – as of last week, on pace of last year
    - Rev David Pyle will be working at home next week for prep work
    - Send him any presentations, etc that are needed as soon as possible
  + UUA staff transitions
    - On track for planning of UUA staff transition as of July 1
  + Role of district and region for justice making will be to train congregations to do this work.
  + David Pyle’s integration work with congregations is completed as primary focus. Will always be ongoing but not primary.
    - Congregations starting to come to David in addition to him reaching out to them.
  + Worship arts festival
    - Had to cancel early because of snow
    - Had smaller attendance than last year – mostly because of weather
  + Chalice lighter status – current call is getting ready to go out. Three applications have been received.
  + We are entering into a time period where many congregations are preparing to make candidate offers, as well as ministers considering transitions.
    - Holding those ministers and congregations in our thoughts as they go through these transitions
  + One ordination and one installation the day after District Assembly
    - David - Need to determine how to reach out to board members to attend these ceremonies
  + Comments on DE report
    - Appreciate the idea of the justice training instead of organizing.
    - Can be model for justice training for the national staff training

Nominating Committee report (Dennis Wellnitz for Nominating Committee)

* + No further direct communication from committee
  + Rev Keith Goheen has agreed to run for office of Vice President
  + Dennis Wellnitz has agreed to run for office of President
  + Question about whether the election would be contested or not. Usually not done in the past.
  + Reach out to nominating committee with any updates for candidates
  + David believes there are 3 nominees identified

District Assembly Update (David Pyle, others)

* + Reception Saturday night for all board members – outgoing and incoming celebration
  + Roles – listening to others to hear how things are going – to get feedback
  + David and Dennis worked out a remembrance of Lillian at the beginning of the business meeting.
    - Send any contributions by email. As well as photos.

New Business

* + Paul. Transition Team discussion
    - Continuing to talk about voting in the fall
    - Need to know sooner than later because the fall schedule (late September thru November)
    - What would we be voting on?
      * Commitment to a transition plan (available in next several months)
    - Who would vote
      * Same delegates as for District assembly
    - Discussion on the date – fall 2015 or spring 2016 vote
    - Multiple separate leadership events in the fall in north and south to have a discussion on regionalization, listening and presentation. Ways to connect technologically. David will investigate possible live-stream.
    - Follow-up
      * Paul and Dennis will take back to transition team that we will have educating events in the fall and vote in the spring.
      * David will work on cluster based education
  + New regional program for fall - Boot camp – basic training on basics for new leaders
    - One curriculum used by the primary contacts
  + Parliamentarian for business meeting at District Assembly
    - If interested, let Dennis know.

Motion to adjourn – Paul Pinson. 8:35. Approved.

Closing Words – Rev Keith Goheen

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| **Follow up Tasks** |  |  |
| Task | Owner | Date restrictions |
| Take back to transition team that we will have educating events in the fall and vote in the spring. | Paul and Dennis |  |
| Parliamentarian for business meeting at District Assembly. Let Dennis know if you can do this. | All |  |
| Send David any materials that need to be prepared for district assembly. Preferably in the next week. | All |  |
| Send Carla current email addresses for nominating committee | Dennis |  |
| Send Dennis and David any pictures of Lillian for the memorial | All |  |

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| **Meeting Documents** |  |
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| **Future Meeting Schedule for Year** |  |  |
| Meeting Purpose | Date | Location |
| Transition team meetings (Paul and Dennis) | Second Thursday of month |  |
| Exec committee | Mar 5, 2014. 7:30 pm |  |
| Full board – conf call | Mar 19, 7:30 pm |  |
| Exec committee  Dennis/Pau to leave for transition team at 7:30 | Apr 9, 2014. 7 pm |  |
| District Assembly | Apr 10-12, 2015 | Harrisburg, PA – tentative |
| Exec committee | May 7, 2014. 7:30 pm |  |
| Full board – conf call | May 21, 7:30 pm |  |
| Exec committee | June 4, 2014. 7:30 pm |  |
| Full board – conf call | June 18, 7:30 pm |  |
| General Assembly | June 24-28, 2015 | Portland, OR |
| Exec committee  Dennis/Paul to leave for transition team at 7:30 | July 9, 2014. 7 pm |  |
| Board retreat | July 24-26, 2015 | Temenos |

Meeting adjourned 8:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Johnson, JPD Board Secretary