

**KEWEENAW UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES ~ June 11, 2023**

Called to order at 12:07 pm by Board President Elen Maurer

33 attending

Horst Schmidt agreed to be the parliamentarian for the meeting

2023 Reviewers: Elaine Eikenberry, Linda Rulison, Jenn Donovan - reviewed & approved June 12, 2023

Agenda Changes

1. Delete: Certification of quorum - need 40%...
2. Need to add Lora Repp and Pete Ekstrom as returning trustees to the Board.

Annual Meeting Agenda

1. Elect Board of Trustees Officers & At-Large Board Members

Elen Maurer returning as President
Horst returning as VP
Elaine returning to the board and taking over as secretary
Cindy Enderby returning as Treasurer
Lora Repp and Pete Ekstrom returning for 2-year terms
New 2-year terms: Jane Pallin, Melissa Williamson, John Gale
No additions from the floor.

Harriet motioned to accept and Joan seconded approval of this slate of candidates. Unanimously approved. Elen thanked the two departing trustees—Jenn Donovan and Joan Chadde.

2. Elect 2024-25 Nominating Committee: Cindy Enderby, Ana Dryerson, Dave Watkins.

Bob Drake motioned to accept and Miriam seconded. Approved unanimously.

3. Approval of 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes

Frank, Miriam, Jenn reviewed minutes for 2022 annual meeting.

Voting options are Agree, Disagree, Abstain

Horst motioned to approve minutes of 2022 annual meeting, seconded by Bill. Majority agreed, no one disagreed, 4 abstentions.

4. Finances

[Lora Repp](#), Canvass Coordinator, reported that we exceeded our Canvass Goal of raising \$70K in pledges. Pledges totalled \$74, 675

Budget Report (Cindy Enderby)

Revenue: fundraising, pledges, donations

Expenses: \$103, 575 (allocated \$24K from cash on hand to balance our budget).

We have \$94K cash on hand which will be tapped if we fall short this year.

Horst motioned to approve the proposed 2023-24 budget and Jenn seconded.

2 voted not to approve; no abstentions, majority approved the budget.

5. Minister's Report (Stacy Craig)

Stacy completed her ministerial training in Sept 2022 and sought a congregation to serve. She was working ½ time w/ Chequamegon Fellowship in Ashland, WI. She saw that Keweenaw Fellowship was on the list and was focused on many similar areas of shared interest. She decided on ¼ time with KUUF.

Over past 10 months, Stacy has accomplished the following, and much more:

- Worship & Rites of Passage
- Earth Day, new member ceremony, Service of the ancients, in-person services and an online service.
- All About Love book group
- Sharing Circles
- Outdoor education events
- Social Justice events
- Monthly article submitted to Daily Mining Gazette for religious page
- Meets monthly w/ Board President

This arrangement has worked extremely well, due to KUUF organizational structure. Carbon footprint is a challenge with her travel.

Stacy was cautioned not to 'overdo it'; be sure to have a support system

Stacy was thanked for her contributions to the Fellowship during the past year.

Discussion of Article 2:

We fund UUA. It works when delegates from all Fellowships attend General Assembly (GA) June 21-25. KUUF has no delegates registered to attend.

Created Article 2 Commission to review 8th principle (anti-racist liberatory theology; love is our guide). Article 2 needs to be approved two years in a row in order to be adopted. 270 individual congregations have voted at their annual meetings to adopt 8th

principle. If Article 2 is adopted into the By-Laws, then there would no longer be any principles.

Info for delegates

Google UUA GA 2023 and see all the info.

Delegate times for virtual GA:

wed 6/21 7:30 to 9pm

thur 6/22 2:30 PM – 5:30 PM

fri 6/23 2:30 PM – 5:30 PM

sat 6/24 2:30 PM – 5:30 PM

sun 6/25 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Jenn Donovan and Joan Chadde volunteered to be delegates to UUA GA 2023. KUUF will take a straw poll to guide these delegates. Voting approval on Article 2 will allow it to be considered in 2024.

KUUF straw poll vote in favor of Article 2:

Majority approved

1 against

1 abstention

Consideration of 8th Principle

Should KUUF adopt/approve the 8th principle? Some people feel that by articulating 8th principle, we recognize the need to address racism in explicit terms.

Voted whether to continue work on the 8th principle

Majority supported

4 opposed

1 abstention

6. Committee Reports

Individual committee chairs had the opportunity to share accomplishments and concerns. Appreciation was expressed. Committee reports are on the KUUF webpage (members' only).

7. 3-Year Strategic Plan Review (Committee: Elen, Miriam, Lora)

Last approved in 2019.

Updated strategic plan is posted on our webpage

Serves as framework for Fellowship operation

Strategic Goals:

1. Maintain consistent and effective ministerial services.
2. Increase size & diversity of Fellowship

3. Enhance management and administrative systems.
4. Continue & expand caring for each other.
5. KUUF members individually and collectively will express through action UU values in the broader community.
6. Create space for personal and collective search for meaning.

Cindy motioned and Vicky seconded approval of the Strategic Plan.
Unanimously approved, with one abstention.

Jack Jobst was thanked for all of his years of service on the Worship Committee.

Next annual meeting date: June 9, 2024

Annual Meeting ended at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by [Joan Schumaker Chadde](#), Secretary