

Board Notes March 2017

To All our Members and Friends at UUFM:

Here are a few items that may interest you this month:

Update on Developmental Ministry. Tony Filipovitch, and the rest of our search team, have not yet received the name or name(s) of possible candidates. As mentioned last month, when our search team (Tony F, Tricia Nienow, Kim Evans, Barbara Keating and either Peter or Kylie Kuhlman) is given the name of a minister to consider, they will set up an interview with that person via Skype.

CFD Director and Choir Director: A candidate for the CFD Director position has been interviewed, but the details for that position are yet to be worked out. The search continues for a choir director, with one person interviewed on Monday, March 20th.

Governance and Ministry by Dan Hotchkiss: The board continues to read and discuss this book as we work toward policy governance. There is a first edition copy of this book in our library, if you are interested.

MidAmerica Regional Assembly and GA (General Assembly): The MidAmerica regional assembly will be held the last Friday, Saturday and Sunday am of this month. The Cramblits have at least one seat remaining in their vehicle heading to the suburbs of Chicago for the meeting. Think about attending! Going to a regional meeting or the national General Assembly (in New Orleans in June) are wonderful experiences: hearing outstanding speakers and interacting with other UUs- a great way to have affirmation that we have many others working and worshipping in our faith! Our new UUA President will be voted on at GA in June- and you could be a delegate for our congregation!

Took Kits: Linda Ganske, our Office Administrator, has made 2 copies of two different toolkits that were sent in emails recently:

1: Queering Reproductive Justice from the National LGBTQ Task Force: to support an intersectional approach to reproductive health, rights and justice and LGBTQ advocacy.

2: Sanctuary Toolkit for UU Congregations from the UUSC (UU Service Committee) to explore offering physical shelter to someone under threat of deportation or police action, and to explore other ways to provide sanctuary.

If you are interested in either of these efforts, check out a toolkit copy from Linda in the office and please let me know that you have done so.

Safety Policy Task Force: One of the policies we need to write is on safety, according to the Long-Range Plan for this year and the next 2 years. This will include emergency procedures, fire safety, violence safety, child safety and others. If this peaks your interest, please let me know. We will be organizing this task force to begin this spring. This effort will probably take at least the next year, possibly longer, to put all the parts together.

In Gratitude,
Nancy Cramblit
Your Board President