

# Unitarian Church of Edmonton

## Board Meeting Minutes - May 14, 2020

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**Present:** President Karen Mills, Vice President Karen Bilida, secretary Gloria Krenbrenk, treasurer Doug Eastwell, trustees Yvonne Mireau, Brandie Moller-Reid and Robert Begg

**Regrets:** Kathy Stanley due to computer difficulties

**Call to Order:** 7:37 p.m. Meeting conducted via Zoom and phone.

**Chalice Lighting:** Yvonne Mireau

### **NEW BUSINESS - Interim Minister Candidates**

Three candidates were interviewed via Zoom:

- Lee Ann Washington on Monday, May 11, 2020
- A.J. Galazen on Tuesday, May 12, 2020
- Rev. Lara Cowtan on Wednesday, May 13, 2020

Kathy Stanley was unable to attend the interview with Rev. Lara Cowtan due to computer difficulties.

We must reply online to the UUA Transition office with a "YES", "NO", or "MAYBE" for each candidate. If more than one yes, we can also indicate our first choice.

It was decided that A.J. Galazen would be indicated as a no, largely due to lack of comfort with online ministry, which may still be necessary in the fall due to the COVID-19 situation.

**Moved** by Yvonne Mireau, **seconded** by Karen Bilida, that we indicate "YES" for both Rev. Lara Cowtan and Lee Anne Washington, with Rev. Lara Cowtan indicated as our first choice.  
**CARRIED**

Karen Mills will do our online reply on Monday, May 18, 2020 around noon. The candidates also have the opportunity to indicate "YES" or "NO".

Karen Mills presented a draft list of questions for references which the board revised. Karen Mills will email the list of questions to 4 references for each of the two candidates. It is not essential that we have those responses back prior to our online response on Monday, May 18, 2020.

ADJOURNED at 7:28 p.m. with Yvonne Mireau extinguishing the chalice.

  
Gloria Krenbrenk, Secretary