

## UWM Great Lakes Region Board of Trustees Minutes

March 15, 2017, 2:30 pm EDT; 1:30pm CDT

Rev Ted Schneider, President 2019 (2<sup>nd</sup> term)  
 Rev Kurt Condra, VP & Communication Liaison, 2018 (1<sup>st</sup> term)  
 Rev Sandra McKinney, Secretary, 2019 (2<sup>nd</sup> term)  
 Rev Josette Jackson, Treasurer, 2018 (1<sup>st</sup> term)  
 Rev Vareta Foster, Trustee & YFM Liaison, 2017 (1<sup>st</sup> term)  
 Rev Glenda Walden, Trustee & Conference Planning Liaison, 2017 (1st term) Appt (Absent)  
 Tom Sylvester, LUT Regional Representative, 2019 (1st term)  
 Rev Ray Nelson, Alternate Trustee, 2017  
 John McMahon, UWM Board Liaison, 1<sup>st</sup> term (On call for 1 hour; had to leave at 2:30pm CDT)

Opening Prayer: Wasn't able to connect to call and did not get minutes until after Action Items so will leave those included here.

**Check-in:** Something for which I am grateful or excited about GLURC is...

**Setting Intention:** I set the intention for happiness, peace and success for our meeting

### **Vision / Mission / Values**

Awakening Oneness, we empower an evolving consciousness that spiritually transforms the world. We serve, build, inspire and empower ministries. Our core values are: committed, empowering, evolutionary, integrity, collaborative, and love.

### **Action Items from February meeting reviewed.**

Item#	Issue	Action Required	Name	Due Date	Progress
0215a	Cluster YOU Events	Ask Tyler to invite churches that don't have other YOU program nearby to nearest events.	Vareta	asap	
0215b	Face-to-face	Find more economical accommodations.	Kurt/Sandra	Next meeting.	
0215c	Connecting with Members	Get Xcel spread sheet for directory updates/ calls	Kurt/Josette		
0201b	Giving Survey	Send questions to Kurt	Ted, Kurt, Ray	By next meeting.	
0201d	Q4 2016 Reporting	Post on Website	Josette/Kurt	15 days after approved	
0201e	Update tithe report	Migrate Q4 info to website	Kurt	2/6	
1221a	Scholarship Application	Research	Ray	a.s.a.p.	
1221b	Conference Presenter Proposals	Forward copies to board	Glenda	Jan. meeting	
2121e	Communication on background checks when hiring.	Draft message, send to Kurt for website, eblast.	Ted/Josette		

## Consent Agenda

Minutes from 2/1-2/15/17 (both meetings) approved.

## Treasurer's Report

Reports can be found on Dropbox. Josette reported that the Finance Team could not recommend the amounts being used for service tithes without further clarity, so no decision was voted on. To be discussed at Face-to-Face. 1<sup>st</sup> quarter financials will be available for Face-to-Face and discussed at 4/19 meeting. Josette confirmed detailed financials will be available for 2018 budgeting at the May Face-to-Face.

Conference Planning Team Update: no report received since their 2/16/17 meeting. Ted will speak with Glenda regarding status.

YFM Update: Documents showing Leisa's work as YFM Training Director are attached to agenda. Tyler will be sending something for the next meeting

Regional Rep position (see below agenda) discussed with welcoming James in the RR role to attend Board meetings and to be excused if other employee information needs to be discussed. Ray affirmed James position and job description in place for one year as we move forward in defining that role.

May Face-to-Face preparation. Housing details, food preparation, cooks and who will assume responsibilities while meeting in new space. Meals needed; Monday evening dinner; breakfast Tues & Wed; lunch Tues/possibly Wed, dinner Tues evening. Food/prep for breakfast on Tues/Wed offered by Ray. Ted will provide for one dinner. Sandra will offer to help with clean-up. Vareta will consider one meal (pending).

Connections with the Field. See ministry list sent out with this agenda. Discussion led by Kurt of how these lists are being updated and how we might use them in the future. Ted would like to have these lists current so we can reach out for connecting to our region's churches and doing invitations prior to Conference.

Diversity Statement discussion ongoing: determine 1) if we need to do something different from UWM and 2) how to use. Suggested to place on our website differentiating us/ours from UWM's statement. Ray suggested placing something in the newsletter. Josette agreed, but would like to see it also on the Great Lakes Website in addition to the Newsletter. Ted suggested that it be action-related. Discussion to continue and move to April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Josette requested feedback from the RAC reports she sent via email from attending Winter Meetings. One issue was the fact there was previously no official relationship between UWM and the regions and who/how voting occurs for UWM. She will be obtaining more information regarding auxiliary membership. Josette feels we are providing a lot of information to UWM by GLR but we are not receiving much back. Vareta is interested in receiving more information. Becoming an auxiliary member may be a way to receive more detailed information. Josette would like a call placed by Ted as President for GLR to UWM for further discussion on this issue. Josette felt that contacts from both UWM and GLR may cause confusion with duplication of calls. The role of regional representation came into that conversation.

Review Action Items to be sent.

Motion to adjourn made by Josette; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kurt. Adjourned.

Next Meeting dates: April 19, 2:30 pm EDT, 1:30pm CDT

Closing Prayer: Led by Ted