

UWM/Great Lakes Region Board Minutes

June 21, 2017 1:30pm CDT / 2:30pm

Rev Ted Schneider, President 2019 (2nd term)
Rev Kurt Condra, VP & Communication Liaison, 2018 (1st term)
Rev Sandra McKinney, Secretary, 2019 (2nd term)
Rev Josette Jackson, Treasurer, 2018 (1st term)
Rev Vareta Foster, Trustee & YFM Liaison, 2017 (1st term)
Rev Glenda Walden, Trustee & Conference Planning Liaison, 2017 (1st term) Appt
Tom Sylvester, LUT Regional Representative, 2019 (1st term)
Rev Ray Nelson, Alternate Trustee, 2017
John McMahon, UWM Board Liaison, 1st term (John was asked not to participate)

(Ted asked for the agenda for this meeting, an originally scheduled Board meeting, to address issues that arose at the UWM Convention the previous week where Vareta and Glenda led the Great Lakes Unity breakout session.)

Meeting was called to order by President Ted who asked Vareta for an opening prayer.

Details from Convention were explained to those of us who had not attended convention. It was reported by Vareta and Glenda that when asked about openings on the Board, the issue arose about Rev Josette living outside the region which meant we were out of compliance with by-laws and the term by-law infraction was used. This goes back to January when Josette advised the Board of her situation; which is maintaining her Missouri residence, seeking employment in the Great Lakes region, but caring for her sister in Colorado. The most recent offer to resign her position on the Board, due to her situation, was at Face-to-Face in May when the Board asked her to wait until August 1 to make a decision based on whether or not she was hired within the region by then.

Lengthy discussion filled two hours when it was determined that we would continue to honor the August 1 date when we would know Josette's situation, when we would need to appoint someone to fill the last year of her term.

Motion was made by Ted that he would draft a letter to membership with our response to the questions raised at Convention, (those listed on a sheet distributed by Glenda). 2nd by Vareta. A meeting was called for July 5 to address the business agenda not conducted at this meeting.

Respectively submitted,

Sandra McKinney, Secretary