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Minutes of Meeting
30 September 2017

THE Third meeting of the UAUS Governing Board (GB) and Council of Local Presidents (CLP) was held via Zoom at 14:00 CST.

Attendees: Pio Park (President); Rick Lyon (Vice-President); Janie Whinery (Treasurer); Will Sherwood (Council of Past Presidents) and Bruce Brown (Past Treasurer); Bob Solone (GLMUA); Danny Casco (President, GLMUA), Meredith Van Woert (President, SURF); Marian Hughes (President, HULA); Tom Vasile (President, UALA);

Meeting was called and quorum set with excused absence of Joanne Strobel (Secretary attending Chicago Fellowship conference at Techny Towers); Pio volunteered to be Secretary for the meeting;

Rick Lyon: performed the invocation;

Rick Lyon: Reported all the paper works for reinstating the 501-C-3 non-profit status has been collated; awaiting the \$400 check from Janie Whinery for processing fee; for now Form 990 Annual Filing at \$10 per year is a must; UAUS will be assigned a NEW EIN Federal Tax I.D. number. With permanent address now at Chicago we won't have to go through this again.

Comments on Kansas City CLP Annual Meeting: No comments. Pio thanked the CLP for attending and having his first CLP Annual successfully.

Local Association Updates:

HULA: Marian Hughes reported the recent special gathering with Pio attending was successful with all their dues paid up.

UALA: Tom Vasile reported their on going weekly SKYPE Study Group and their Children's Program hopefully to be included in the Amsterdam Int'l Conference.

VCR: Will Sherwood (VP, Virginia, Carolina Readers) announced their annual gathering next week in Raleigh, N.C. hosted by Dr. & Mrs. Perry (who is not feeling well and we all expressed our best wishes for recovery); whereabouts of Lee Armstrong (past CPP) was inquired and Will Sherwood said don't know but his daughter Ozan is active.

GLMUA: Danny Casco, president, briefed that their local association is active, with Rick Lyon as it's V.P. and Bob Salone. There is no Fall GLMUA but a Christmas party is planned and the Foundation party in Chicago was mentioned, and Pio wished he'd attend it for the first time.

SURF: Meredith Van Woert, mentioned her weekly Study Group with Ed & Susan Owen commuting as members from Ohio);

LSUA: Bruce Brown, mentioned that Ted Linear graduated recently; Janie Whinery briefed on DFW study group.

Fund Raising: Will Sherwood mentioned the last fund raising during his administration of \$1300 mailing and printing cost brought in \$1600 profit approx. The calendar was brought up by Pio, and Meredith brought up SURF's "Thought Gems" perpetual calendar in 1998. (Pio's first purchase as a reader was that in 2004.) Rick Lyon mentioned he sold his last batch of Thought Gem through his Cosmic Creations enterprise. Marian Hughes said this calendar is way late and suggested selling the 2019 or 2020 version during the Amsterdam Int'l Conference as a keepsake; Meredith mentioned Jim Wanlass of Oxnard, CA who donated the holographic blue paper for the Thought Gems; she asked approximate cost and Will Sherwood estimated \$1500 for a glossy one page 11" x 17" calendar with photo collage of local associations. This figure includes a mailing envelope, cover letter, reply envelop, and mailing costs. Pio mentioned Danny's You Tube on Fund Raising and stated "if you don't ask you don't receive." He also suggested the possibility of a matching donation aspect of this fund raising mailing. Will Sherwood, Rick Lyon and Pio Park were volunteered to design the One Page foldable Calendar (Ed Owen suggestion) and God willing it will be mailed out in early December.

Urantia Study Group Directory: Pio said he was remiss and went along with doing away with the UAUS Study Group when he first got on board in March. But, after Marian Hughes, who volunteered to be the Study Group Chair, brought to his attention the Joint Study Group Directory (SGD); Pio opened both the joint SGD and reviewed the existing UAUS Study Group link; and found the SGD voluminous but complex with Zip Code search and UAUS SG Listing as simple and scrolling down per State (albeit there were dubious Verified updates including Cathy Jones, who graduated last year); Pio suggested that he felt strongly that we maintain and update the UAUS Study Group listing at the USUA website and thereafter, transpose the updated list to the Joint SGD which is hosted by UAI and the Fellowship.

Tom Vasile: Moved that the UAUS maintain and update its Study Group List at the website, seconded by Will Sherwood;

Discussion: Rick Lyon briefed the history behind this Joint SGD circa 2010 with Moe Siegel etc., and said there is a joint committee that oversees that the SGD. It is monitored and overseen to ensure there are no channeling groups etc.; Bob Salone, asked expressed channeling needs to be filtered out and find out who's policing the

joint SGD. Marian Hughes, mentioned the addition of Will Sherwood's Facebook Study Group page and Tom Vasile's Skype Study Group was a great; Will Sherwood suggested that the online study groups have a separate listing by meeting time at the USUA Study Group list. Tom Vasile suggested that the online groups also be included in the "by state" listings .

Rick Lyon: recommended to invite the Fellowship oversight committee of the SGD and find out the scoop on policing the outer space groups etc. He mentioned circa 2010 the Urantia Foundation and UAI recruited Scott Brooks to vet the joint groups. The Study Groups were and encouraged to be non-political, non-channeling etc.

Will Sherwood: Called the Question:

Pio: called for Tom Vasile's motion to vote and asked for a raised of hand for ayes; all voted Ayes with Bob Salone abstaining.

Pio: Recorded the Aye votes to maintain/update the UAUS Study Group PLUS joining the joint SGD with Virtual Study Group listing under it's respective State and another line under Virtual Study Group Listing in the UAUS directory.

Pio: Asked Bob Salone why he abstained and he stated he thought it was duplication of efforts.

Having no other business the third quarter UAUS GB/CLP meeting was adjourned at 12:42 p.m.



Pio Y. Park, President UAUS
For Joanne Strobel, Secretary, UAUS