

UAUS MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2019

UAUS CLP – December 28, 2019

Motion: to accept the HULA proposal for a UAI international conference called “The Nature and Nurture of the Soul” to take place at the Maritime Conference Center in Baltimore, MD. The conference would take place during cherry blossom season and coincide with Easter weekend. The proposed dates are March 28 – 31, 2024. (Passed)

Motion: to accept the appointments of Joanne Strobel as UAUS Conference Chair, and Marian Hughes and Marc Boucher as 2024 Conference Planning Committee Co-Chairs. (Passed)

Motion: to donate 10% of 2019 income (\$3400.00) to UAI. (Passed)

UAUS CLP - September 28, 2019

Resolution: to make Urantia Family Life Committee (UFLC) an ad hoc committee of UAUS, by Tom Vasile, President of UALA.

Whereas raising children is a difficult task, especially for parents who are enlightened with the fifth epochal revelation,

Whereas the Urantia Book revelation needs families and children to continue to spiritually transform our world,

Whereas the Urantia Family Life Committee is dedicated to ministering to the needs of families and has been functioning for over three years with members of the UAUS working with other students of The Urantia Book to provide children and teen programs at conferences and other Urantia gatherings, be it therefore

Resolved, that UAUS recognizes the Urantia Family Life Committee as an ad hoc committee, whose purpose will be to provide programs for children and teens at the Vancouver 2020 Conference; and be it further

Resolved, that UAUS will receive regular reports of the committee’s work. (Passed)

Also

Whereas the Urantia Family Life Committee has developed a survey to find out the current number of Urantia Book students with families and how we can best serve them, be it therefore

Resolved, that UAUS will send to its mailing list the Urantia Family Life Committees survey. (Tabled)

2018

UAUS CLP Annual Meeting - September 29, 2018

Motion: to accept the amended UAUS bylaws. (Passed)

UAUS CLP - June 30, 2018

Resolutions regarding status of UAUS 501(c) 3 nonprofit reinstatement and amendment to Bylaws

Proposed: The following IRS-specified wording will be added to Article 13 of the Bylaws:

“Urantia Association of the United States is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

“Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principle office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.”

Janiece Hoggatt: motion to approve the above proposal to amend the UAUS Bylaws in order to comply with the IRS request. Will Sherwood: second.

Discussion ensued about the stipulation in Article 12 that bylaw changes must be submitted 90 days in advance and that Article 13 cannot be modified by UAUS. Pio stated that the Federal government (IRS) is dictating the change, not UAUS.

Janiece withdrew her previous motion and Will seconded the withdrawal.

Observing that this is a unique situation, David Linthicum made a motion that UAUS and the CLP agree to temporarily waive Article 12 in order to comply with the IRS request to modify Article 13 in the UAUS Bylaws by inserting the additional specified language.

Meredith Van Woert seconded the motion. Will Sherwood called the question and a vote was taken. The CLP vote was 11 (unanimous) in favor of temporarily waiving Article 12.

With Article 12 temporarily waived, David then moved to accept Rick’s initial motion to modify the Article 13 Dissolution Clause as presented above, which includes updating the name of IUA to UAI. The motion was seconded by Meredith. A vote was taken and the motion passed with 11 CLP members in favor.

Motion: to migrate the UAUS website onto the UAI sub-site. We will continue to have subpages for Local Associations. (Passed)

Motion: that UAUS continue to maintain a Study Group list on the UAUS website. (Passed)

UAUS CLP - March 31, 2018

Motion: to approve UAUS donation of \$2900.00 in scholarship money for two UAI members from Peru to attend the 2018 Int'l Conference in Amsterdam. (Passed)

Motion: to hold the CLP Annual Meeting via Zoom on the date of the third CLP quarterly meeting, September 31, 2018. (Passed)

2017

UAUS CLP - June 24, 2017

Resolution: to award the 2018 national conference to Southern Kindred Spirits. (Passed)

Missing: 2013 - 2016

2012

UAUS CLP – September 28, 2012 – (Chesterton, IN)

Motion: Lee Armstrong moved, “That UAUS sponsor a national conference every year that there is not an international conference, contingent upon a viable proposal submitted to and approved by the UAUS Governing Board.” (Passed)

2011

UAUS GB – January 29, 2011

Motion: That the UAUS Governing Board approve a \$2,000 donation to the UAI Symposium matching gift Scholarship Fund. (Passed)

UAUS GB – February 25, 2011

Motion: That a restricted fund of \$2,000, seeded with \$1,000 to be created from the UAUS General Fund, for the purpose of UAUS GB members to travel to approved UAUS affairs. (Passed)

UAUS GB – September 10, 2011

Motion: That the UAUS Governing Board disperse, from the UAUS General Fund, the amount of \$700.00, to be used by the Florida Local Association to rent a booth at this year's Miami Book Fair and that an appeal be put forth on the UAUS list for private donations to cover all or part of this disbursement of funds. (Passed)

Motion: That UAUS make a donation of \$300.00 to the Florida Local Association to establish an account for operating expenses. (Passed) *(This action was taken in recognition of two things: 1) Florida's lack of funds due to the default of the original board several years ago and the eventual rebuilding of Florida from scratch and 2) That Florida GB has been among our most active local associations with a full slate of projects planned for the remainder of the year and into the next.)*

2010

UAUS CLP – August 17, 2010 (Online Session)

Motion: HULA moves that UAUS place the following Statement of Policy on the UAUS web site and upon approval of this motion that the Governing Board propose a Resolution to the Representative Council asking that the approved Policy Statement, with UAUS references replaced to reflect UAI, be adopted as an official UAI Policy Statement:

UAUS Policy Statement concerning the Channeling Phenomenon:

Within certain groups of people reading *The Urantia Book*, there has developed a phenomenon labeled "channeling" or the "Teaching Mission." Advocates of this phenomenon claim to be in touch with superhuman personalities, who sometimes have names taken from *The Urantia Book*.

While UAUS neither endorses, promotes, nor denies any individual's personal experiences, we must assure readers that neither UAUS nor *The Urantia Book* has any connection with this phenomenon.

UAUS has taken great care over the years to ensure that *The Urantia Book* is not publicly identified with cultic, psychic, or occult groups and phenomena. The UAUS, as an organization, does not sanction channeling activities at UAUS sponsored functions, seminars, conferences or internet discussion groups.

We believe that The Urantia Book's teachings should be unencumbered by public alliance with either New Age beliefs or traditional religions. (Passed)

UAUS CLP – August 20, 2010 (Mt. Vernon, WA)

Motion: That the Governing Board ("GB") establish a UAUS restricted fund for scholarship purposes with criteria to be determined by UAUS GB. (Passed)

UAUS GB – April, 2010 (Online CLP Meeting)

Motion: That the UAUS CLP votes to forego the scheduled 2011 UAUS National Conference in favor of support and participation in the 2011 UAI Leadership Symposium. (Passed)

Motion: That the UAUS Governing Board be allowed to offer monetary support, from the UAUS Conference Fund, to the International Service Board (ISB) for the purpose of funding the

2011 UAI Leadership Symposium with the understanding that all UAUS funds will be refunded to UAUS after the 2011 UAI Leadership Symposium is concluded. (Passed)

2009

UAUS GB – March 19, 2009

Motion: That all UAUS Local Officers be included on UAUS/CLP List, with Presidents and Vice Presidents retaining voting rights. The local Secretary and Treasurer may vote on behalf of a non-present Officer via established proxy procedures. (Passed)

Motion: Benet called for and received a motion to hold the upcoming CLP in Chicago, Illinois on September 25th. (Passed) (*Later modified to change the venue to Chesterton, IN – see June 11, 2009 motion*)

Motion:

Whereas: Urantia Association of Florida was left without a Governing Board due to resignations three years ago. And,

Whereas: UAUS GB held UAF in Trust as Acting GB. And,

Whereas: UAF Members, Mindy Williams and Betty Lou Wallace, were appointed by UAUS GB as Interim President and Secretary/Treasurer respectively. And,

Whereas: UAF Interim Officers, Mindy and Betty Lou, along with UAI Executive Director, James Woodward, successfully reconstituted its membership, held member meetings, and created a full Interim Governing Board for UAF and have operated its association business according to UAI/UAUS Bylaws, with full integrity, and well.

Urantia Association of United States moves to fully restore Urantia Association of Florida to full Association Status within UAUS and UAI. As part of this restoration, UAF will have regular officer elections, according to their policy, at their earliest convenience but not later than March 31, 2010. UAF is now entitled to all rights, privileges and responsibilities as an autonomous and interdependent member association of UAUS and UAI. (Passed)

UAUS GB – May 24, 2010

Motion: Based on the Treasurer's Report it is moved that UAUS contribute 10% of UAUS available funds to UAI. (Passed)

2009

UAUS GB – June 11, 2009

Motion: Daryl Berry moved to rescind the motion to hold the CLP meeting in Chicago on September 25, 2009 in favor of holding the meeting in Chesterton, Indiana.

Motion: Move that the UAUS Governing Board create a scholarship fund for governing board travel funds. (*A brief discussion was held regarding travel funds for the President and Vice President to attend CLP meetings. It was noted that the restricted travel fund, in the amount of \$800, was established by a previous motion of the CLP and that a new CLP motion would be needed to allow the funds to be used for purposes other than international travel.*) (Passed)

UAUS CLP – September 25, 2009 (Chesterton, IN)

Motion: Moved to adopt the Florida representative (Betty Lou Wallace) as a voting member of the CLP. (Passed)

Motion: Moved that UAUS establish a standing Study Group Committee according to Article 4, Section 5.E of the UAUS Bylaws. (Passed)

2008

UAUS CLP - 2008

Resolution: Benet Rutenberg proposed a *Resolution* to set up the UAUS not-for-profit

corporation in the State of Ohio, where it will be maintained until UAUS deems it beneficial to move it to another state. A lively discussion ensued regarding UAUS assets, if it or its sister organization were to default. It was concluded that if UAUS dissolves then funds would go to UAI or to the Urantia Foundation if UAI also dissolves. (Passed)

UAUS GB - December 22, 2008

Resolution: As directed by the Governing Board's Resolution, UAUS has applied for corporate status in the State of Ohio. The IRS application for nonprofit status should be completed by the 1st quarter of 2009. The goal is to increase the Treasury to maintain paid staff for the Governing Board to help Local Associations and fulfill goals per the Strategic Plan. (Passed)

Resolution: Benet said Item 64: ISB Resolution 2006-5: UAI Charter 2.1.5 Proposed Amendment was ratified with him and Marian Hughes voting YES. In substance the Amendment states that an ISB member may not simultaneously be *President or *Vice President of their Local Association but he or she may hold any other office on the Governing Board. (**as these offices serve on the RC*) (Passed)

2007

UAUS GB - July 12, 2007

Motion: That KCUA be rewarded the 2008 UAUS conference. (Passed)

UAUS CLP - July 26, 2007 (Dumas Bay Center, Seattle, WA)

Motion: Moved to accept Judy Van Cleave as a proxy voter from Idaho Urantia Association and Jan Bernard as a proxy voter from Nevada Urantia Association. (Passed)

Motion: Moved to approve the updates and work that Daryl (Berry) proposes to the bylaws. (Passed) (*Daryl presented his work on updating the UAUS bylaws to conform to the new UAI bylaws and structure. To the best legal knowledge of the GB, these updates do not constitute an amendment to the bylaws, rather an update to conform to current language*)