

**Minutes: Michigan Conference UCC
BOD Meeting
Friday, January 17, 2025
6:00 – 7:00 pm – Crown Plaza, Lansing**

Welcome & Opening Devotion/Prayer/Meditation

- *Meeting called to order at 6:08 with meditation and prayer by Rev. Liz Larrivee*

Attendance (Excused and Absent)

- *Rev. Liz Larrivee, Rev. Lillian Daniel, Rev. Diane Baker, Antoinette McGarvin, Susan Greenwood, Karen Metcalf, Rev. Jonathan Riedel, Rev. Jeffrey Rhodes, Abbie Goerg, Cheryl Burke, Pete Mueller, Rev. Shawnthea Monroe, Lawrence Richardson, Shane Montoya, Rev. Darryl Kistler, Andrew Warner, Stephen Johnson*
- *Excused: Ashley Lewis*

Agenda was approved.

Minutes

- *Motion made to accept Annual Meeting, November 2, 2024, minutes. Approved with changes.*
- *Motion made to accept the November 16, 2024, meeting minutes. Approved.*

Financial Report

- *Report reviewed by Rev. Shane Montoya; available on Google Drive. Motion made to accept the report as read. Approved.*
- *Motion made to move from cash to accrual. Motion approved.*
- *Discussion was held about pricing for future conferences as what we charged did not support the cost.*

BOD Committee Updates and Decisions

- Rev. Liz Larrivee, Chair and President
 - o *Shared new committees for 2025, Resolutions and Strategic Planning. Refer to the Agenda for detailed specifics*
 - o *Succession planning was discussed. Back-ups identified. Refer to the Agenda for detailed specifics.*
 - o *BOD webpage has been published.*
 - o *Congregational UCC Lewiston letter of disassociation review. Motion made to accept. Motion approved.*
- Rev. Shane Montoya, Treasurer, Chair Budget, Finance, and Investment Committee
 - o *Looking into spreading the cost of General Synod overtime.*
- Stephen Johnson, Chair Nominating Committee & DMA Liaison
 - o *Received resignation of “At-Large” board member Rev. Jonathan Riedel. New “At-Large” member recommendations and interviews held. Motion made to accept Rev. Aaron Ryder as newest board member. Motion approved.*
 - o *Seeking recommendations to replace the position vacated by Mary Ann Martin.*
- Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Rhodes, Chair, Personnel Committee & UNA Liaison

- o *Performance discussion held with Rev. Lillian Daniels held on 1/14. Goals and objective meeting planned for 1/28.*
- Rev. Diane Baker
 - o *2025 Annual Meeting planned for Westin Hotel in Southfield, MI, October 3-4.*

BOD Liaison Updates – *Refer to reports on Google Drive*

Staff Updates – *Refer to reports on Google Drive*

- *Conference Minister: Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniel*
- *Associate Conference Minister of Clergy Care & Formation: Rev. Cheryl Burke*
- *Associate Conference Minister of Church Vitality and Transitions: Rev. Lawrence Richardson*

Looking Ahead

- *Per Rev. Liz Larrivee staff is looking for a meeting space for future meetings.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 with closing prayer by Rev. Shane Montoya.

Saturday, January 18, 2025

Mission/Vision/Values

- MVV's were approved following Saturday's Strategic Planning Session

Next BOD Meeting: *March 15, 2025: BOD Hybrid (In-person & Zoom) Meeting*