

Summary of Program Council Meeting, February 25, 2021

After check in by attendees: Judy Harmer, Rylee Uhrich, Martha House, Sonya Edwards, Barbara Meshanko and Rev Matthew Funke-Crary, each ministry presented information as to what has been going on in the past month.

Spiritual Nourishment Martha House

Meets the first Friday of every month as a committee. They are hoping that the Pandemic will have eased enough by early April to allow small group gatherings in a safe way. 3 different members have plans for some exciting programs.

BUUV has been successfully launched and so far has had >100 visits, which is very encouraging.

Baja 4 congregations will be invited to attend Theology Café on Thursdays since there has been an interest. Our Tuesday Odyssey group will be for our own congregation due to the depth of sharing and personalization of the experience.

Path to Accompaniment project forums—all 5 groups have been scheduled with the lawyer Margo Cowen being the final one, hopefully in mid April.

Discussion about Ajo Samaritans asking us to be their fiscal, moral and pastoral sponsors. They seek a relationship and a ministry with our church.

Outreach Sonya Edwards

Three members attended the UUJAZ week at the legislature. Deep concern over the 11 Voter suppression and anti-LGBTQ bills before the bodies. Discussion on how to know status of bills and who in our congregation would like to be more involved.

Tucson Festival of Books March 6&7 will be virtual, so UU presence will not be there since vendors are not, as they have been in previous years. There has been a UU tent hosted by Mountain Vista, but staffed by Baja 4 volunteers.

Inreach Barbara Meshanko

Barbara Lund is organizing the Caring Cluster list. Some clusters have met on Zoom. Discussion about how to reach those who don't know how to Zoom-Larry Parker and Ernie Lopez can advise.

Institutional Stewardship Martha House

There have been 2 board meetings this week.

Stewardship Campaign was presented to the board with the theme of "Caring Beyond Belief."

Hiring of Office Administrator (better wording than Manager, and more descriptive of job besides being in synergy with UUA). Discussion about potential contract and issues about that. Board approved job description as revised.

Appointed Barbara Brusstar to be on Endowment committee

Fund Raising

Discussion of monies needed and challenge during this Covid time.

Suggested is Auction, on line. Names of individuals discussed as to who would be willing to coordinate. Perhaps a team?

Other ideas: Make and sell Valentines or Notecards

Use the flat rate boxes from the post office, fill and auction off.

Meeting adjourned with Hopes and Wishes.