

Meeting Summary: NAUA Provisional Board Meeting October 2, 2024

Present: Rev. Dr. Todd Eklof, Candice Schmidt, Mike Long, Terry Anderson, Lynn Jinishian, Robert Jinishian, Richard Gammon, Stephen Polmar, Bruce Knotts.

1. Report from the 4th Convocation of the Convocation of Unitarian Universalist Women:

- a. Bruce Knotts provided some information concerning the 4th International Convocation of the Convocation of Unitarian Universalist Women held in Cluj-Napoca, Romania at the beginning of September. Bruce is a member of the Convocation and one of their UN Representatives. He also attended the Convocation as a Representative of NAUA. He describe the environment in Cluj-Napoca as inspiring as being the birth place of Unitarianism.
- b. Bruce also met with Bishop Istvan Kovacs and Rev. Norby of the Transylvanian Unitarian Church. He mentioned that they were very supportive of Rev. Eklof and would be open to contact with NAUA. In particular, one of their greatest concerns was the demise of the International Council of Unitarians and Universalist (ICUU) and the hoped that a successor organization could be formed.

2. Financial Report

- a. Lynn Jinishian reported that at the present time NAUA has \$44,191.14 in the bank, \$ 11,850 are receipts from the Summit.
- b. She noted the Summit Keynote Speaker's travel has been paid.

3. Summit Information

- a. John Wood Jr, National Ambassador for Braver Angels will be the NAUA Summit Keynote Speaker, replacing Steven Hassan.
- b. Lynn Jinishian confirmed that the Opening Reception at the Oxford Suite Downtown would be open to all, not only people staying at the hotel.

4. Voting Issues

- a. After considerable discussion concerning voting for new Board members and for approving the Bylaws the following motion was made: **“ Voting will be allow only during the Summit, both in person and on-line”, the motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote of the Board.**

5. Attendance at Keynote Address

- a. Todd asked that attendance at the Keynote Address by John Wood be open to the public. This request was unanimously supported by the Board. Means of making the public aware of the Keynote address were proposed.

6. Amendment and Approval of the Bylaws at the Summit

- a. It wa agreed that opportunity for amendment of the Bylaws will be permit during the Summit Business Meeting. (copy of current version of the Bylaws is attached to this e-mail).
- 7. Next Meeting of the Board of Trustees**
- a. The first meeting of the new NAUA Board of Trustee is scheduled for November 13th.

Submitted by Stephen Polmar, October 3, 2024