UAGSB 2021 Annual Report

Executive Summary

This executive summary provides an overview of how the 2021 UAGSB Board is structured, meetings that were held, major decisions that were made, the state of our legal and financial affairs. For more detailed information, please refer to the <u>Letters/Announcements to the UA Fellowship from the GSB</u> folder.

Items to include in Report

- Board Composition. The Board was without a quorum, and then gained enough members in order to again begin private and public meetings.
 - a. On January 24th Board members Clara and Toni, as well as ex-officios, met with the fellowship in order to talk about service at the Board level.
 - b. Toni, Clara, and available ex-officios, continued with the interviewing process through May of 2021 to interview interested trustee candidates.
 - c. Chuck in California joined the Board in March 2021, and served as Secretary until September 2021.
 - d. Rina in New Jersey joined the Board as the 4th member on March 7th, 2021, accepted the role of vice chair which enabled it to establish a quorum.
 - e. John joined the Board on May 16, 2021 as a trustee, as the other officer roles were currently filled.
 - f. Special Office workers: a CPA was interviewed and appointed by the Board to help with finances going forward, while our special office worker continues to work on past financial matters.
 - g. GSB appointed a new GSB Literature Chair.

2. Meetings

a. The first public GSB Monthly Business Meeting was held on July 25, 2021.

- b. In July 2021 the Board and Committees then submitted their 2020 Annual Reports.
- c. Monthly public business meetings continued until November 2021.
- d. In December 2021, due to holiday schedules, a quorum could not be established in order to hold the public monthly business meeting.
- e. Members of the GSB met regularly with the special office worker and the CPA to reconcile our financial records.

3. Major Decisions

- a. In March, the Board opened a scholarship fund account separate from the World Service Conference account for better recordkeeping and clarity.
- b. The old bank account was closed, as there were checkbooks from that account that reportedly could not be found. The current Board chair then opened a new checking account.
- c. The UAGSB responded to queries from the fellowship in letters published on May 2, August 21, October 3, 2021 and October 24, 2021. The World Service Conference was postponed from 2021 to 2022 and outlined the reasons why in each letter.
- d. The GSB maintained UA's membership in New York Council of Nonprofits (NYCON), as part of our service commitment and our legal and fiduciary responsibilities. This enables the GSB to keep the fellowship aware of any potential vulnerabilities in these areas.
- e. UAGSB sought legal counsel from NYCON, a service which is covered by the \$80 yearly membership fee. NYCON advised UAGSB, and subsequently the GSB then conveyed to the fellowship that the GSRC was operating outside of the legal and financial parameters of New York State Non-Profit Law and the UA bylaws.

4. Financial and Legal

a. In November 2021, our special office worker, who had served in the capacity of bookkeeping for the past and current board, released a statement about the management of UA finances.

- b. Both Special Office Workers (Accountants) have completed the 2019 and 2020 investigation on allocations for the WSC Fund and WSC Scholarship accounts in that time period. The accountants advised on the following allocation transactions which appear in November on the 2021 treasury spreadsheet.
 - i. Transferred \$3,698.99 from World Service Conference Fund (account ending in 3822) to the savings account (ending in 9525).
 - ii. Transferred \$87.60 from WSC Scholarship Fund (account 9832) to savings account (ending in 9525).

5. WSC

- a. Created a WSC timeline
- b. Generated the Topics of Concern for the 2022 WSC
- c. Revised the qualifications and requirements for the UA GSB Committee Chair position

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