



Getting Ready for General Assembly

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Today's Topics

Six Arguments Against the Article II Revision

by Rev. Rick Hoyt-McDaniels

Amendment 52 – The Amendment that went wrong

by Rebecca Pace

The Role of a Delegate

by Lincoln Baxter

Mini Assemblies and Amendments

by Rebecca Pace

How You Can Make a Difference, Talking Points

by the Zoom participants

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REV. RICK HOYT-McDANIELS

SIX ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE ARTICLE II REVISION

- Masters of Divinity from Claremont School of Theology
 - Ordained and fellowshiped with the UUA
- 26 years UU congregations in Los Angeles area
- Board of the UU Justice Ministry of California
- 2 terms as president of the Pacific Southwest Chapter UUMA
- Co-founded an In Care program for new ministers in formation
- Pacific Southwest District Distinguished Service Award in 2011
- Interim minister – Unitarian Universalist Church of Studio City

Amendment 52

Passed GA June 2023 - 78.4%

Interdependence.

We honor the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

With humility and reverence we covenant to protect Earth and all beings from exploitation creating and nurturing sustainable relationships of repair, mutuality, and justice. _____

Interdependence

Proposed Revision to Article II (for GA June 2024):

Interdependence.

We honor the interdependent web of all existence. With reverence for the great web of life and with humility, we acknowledge our place in it.

We covenant to protect Earth and all beings from exploitation. We will create and nurture sustainable relationships of care and respect, mutuality and justice. We will work to repair harm and damaged relationships.

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THE DELEGATE EXPERIENCE BY SOMEONE WHO'S BEEN THERE LINCOLN BAXTER

- Full registration or business only registration
- Delegate or non-delegate
- Participating in business sessions
 - No Robert's Rules of Order
- Voting

COMMUNICATING

- INTRODUCTIONS
- PROGRESSIVE STACK
- MODERATORS – ZOOM HOSTS – SYSTEMIC JUSTICE TEAM – PROCESS OBSERVER
 - IF THEY OBSERVE A NEED TO PAUSE THE DISCUSSION, THEN THEY CAN OFFER A MESSAGE TO RESTORE THE SPIRIT OF LOVE AND COVENANT FOR THE SESSION.
- WHOVA COMMUNITIES
 - CHATS, POLLS AND MEET-UPS
- DISCUSS.UUA.ORG
 - ALL UUA CONGREGATION MEMBERS CAN REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE

PROGRESSIVE STACK

- WE WILL USE PROGRESSIVE STACK IN DETERMINING THE ORDER OF DELEGATES JOINING THE QUEUE TO SPEAK IN A PRO OR CON LINE.
- PROGRESSIVE STACK IS A TECHNIQUE USED TO GIVE MARGINALIZED GROUPS A GREATER CHANCE TO SPEAK.
- AT LEAST THE FIRST TWO SPEAKING SLOTS FOR DISCUSSION IN BOTH THE PRO AND CON LINES WILL BE RESERVED FOR DELEGATES WHO IDENTIFY AS BLACK, INDIGENOUS, PEOPLE OF COLOR, DISABLED, FAT, TRANSGENDER OR NONBINARY, OR DELEGATES WITH OTHERWISE MARGINALIZED IDENTITIES.
- DELEGATES WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE VIA PROGRESSIVE STACK MUST NOTIFY THE TELLERS WHEN THEY JOIN A SPEAKING LINE.

MINI ASSEMBLIES AND AMENDMENTS

- MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024, 7 PM EASTERN – MINI ASSEMBLY
 - RULES AMENDMENTS – NEED 50% TO ADVANCE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY
 - THEN 80% TO BE ADOPTED
- ARTICLE II AMENDMENTS – THURSDAY JUNE 20 AND FRIDAY JUNE 21
 - NEED 75% TO BE INCORPORATED INTO ARTICLE II PROPOSAL
 - EQUITY – WORTHY
 - EQUITY – LISTEN
 - PEACE AS A VALUE
 - REASON AS A VALUE
- FINAL VOTE ON AMENDMENT – SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024
 - NEEDS 2/3 VOTE FOR APPROVAL

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- NON-DELEGATE – ZOOM MEET-UPS
 - THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY, 2 PM EASTERN
 - FRIDAY, 6 PM EASTERN
 - EACH ABOUT 30 MINUTES
 - CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR A LINK UUTHECONVERSATION.ORG
- REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS – WHOVA COMMUNITY
 - NOT AVAILABLE TO BUSINESS ONLY DELEGATES
 - POLLS KEEP US AT THE TOP OF THE FEED
 - POST AND RESPOND TO QUESTIONS AND CHATS

UUMUAC HOSTED GATHERINGS

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST MULTIRACIAL UNITY ACTION COUNCIL

GET THE LINK AT THEIR WEBSITE: UUMUAC.ORG

- THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024 05:00 - 06:00 PM CENTRAL (6 PM EASTERN, 3 PM PACIFIC)
- FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2024 07:00 - 08:00 PM CENTRAL (8 PM EASTERN, 5 PM PACIFIC)
- SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024 05:00 - 06:00 PM CENTRAL (6 PM EASTERN, 3 PM PACIFIC)
- SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024 01:30 PM CENTRAL (2:30 PM EASTERN, 11:30 AM PACIFIC)

MORE INFORMATION

- UUA WHAT TO EXPECT AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2024
 - [HTTPS://WWW.UUA.ORG/UUAGOVERNANCE/BOARD/GA-GOVERNANCE](https://www.uua.org/uuagovernance/board/ga-governance)
- DELEGATE PLATFORM: [DELEGATE.UUA.ORG](https://delegate.uua.org)
- [DISCUSS.UUA.ORG](https://discuss.uua.org)
- [SAVETHE7PRINCIPLES.ORG](https://savethe7principles.org)
- [UUTHECONVERSATION.ORG](https://uutheconversation.org)



WHEN OUR HEART IS IN A HOLY PLACE

**WHEN WE TRUST THE WISDOM IN EACH OF US
EV'RY COLOR EV'RY CREED AND KIND,
AND WE SEE OUR FACES IN EACH OTHER'S EYES,
THEN OUR HEART IS IN A HOLY PLACE.**

JOYCE POLEY



Previous Presentations and Town Halls

Video recordings of previous Town Hall presentations are posted on
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Theme: Amendments to Article II

Theme: What We Gain, What We Lose

Theme: Accountability