UAUS URANTIA ASSOCIATION of the UNITED STATES

Council of Local Presidents and Vice Presidents Quarterly Meeting Via Zoom Saturday, March 28, 2026, at 1:00 PM CT
MINUTES

In attendance:

1. Alice Wood, Greater Lake Michigan Urantia Association and UAUS President
2. Marc Boucher, Hawaii Urantia Local Association President and UAUS Vice-President
3. Joyce Anderson, New York – Pennsylvania URANTIA Association President and UAUS Secretary
5. Bob Solone, Greater Lake Michigan Urantia Association President
6. Jay Peregrine, Greater Lake Michigan Urantia Association Vice-President
6. David Neufer, New York - Pennsylvania URANTIA Association Vice-President
7. Linda Huff, Urantia Book Service Corps of New England President
9. Xue Wood, guest

President Alice Wood called the meeting to order with a brief period of silent reflection followed by a prayer.

Joyce A. took attendance and declared a quorum.*

Minutes

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as submitted following a motion by David Neufer which was seconded by Jay Peregrine.

President's Report

Alice has reached out to local associations and offered to discuss with them the bylaws regions. She has also increased the frequency of email communications, which will be especially important if we begin implementation of the draft bylaws.

Treasurer's Report

Matt Hughes could not be present, but Alice went over the details as they were presented in his written report.

Bylaws Revision

There was discussion about whether or not we have amendments that we would want to pass after approving the bylaws, and if this should prevent us from passing the draft bylaws today. Several people

were of the opinion that the items people had considered as possible amendments were items that could be included in bylaws, but which are not necessary in bylaws.

There was discussion about what the procedure is for communicating the bylaws changes to UAI. Alice stated that she had already sent the draft bylaws to the UAI.

Jay motioned to vote on the revised bylaws (September 2025 version), David seconded.

Bob emphasized a desire to continue discussing with local associations any possible changes to the draft bylaws. Others reiterated that the important points in the bylaws were already included in the draft bylaws.

A vote was called to accept the September 2025 Bylaws.

Jay Peregrine: yes

David Neufer: yes

Linda Huff: yes

Joyce Anderson: yes

Bob Solone: no

Will Sherwood (sent vote by email): yes

Motion passed.

Implementation of New Bylaws

Alice talked about the need to communicate with existing groups to help them transition to working groups if desired, and the need to fold members-at-large into the new structure. Alice offered to take the lead on this. Jay reminded her to ask people for assistance.

Elections

Joyce reported the results of the Officer elections that took place by email. Marc Boucher has been re-elected as Vice President for a second term. Xue Wood has been elected to her first term as Secretary.

Project Funding

Moonlight Worship - Alice reported on Moonlight Worship as its season has come to an end. Marc Boucher was trained in how to run Moonlight Worship. The co-host model worked well. Alice shared a recording of non-Urantia Book readers who were paid by a private donor to perform. Support was expressed for a summer program.

Edenic Training Program - Alice reported that this program is run by Jon Zoba through The Garden School. Alice described the program as an opportunity for UAUS to offer scholarship money for those who want to engage in a period of dedicated Urantia Book study while helping at The Garden School and learning about horticulture, as inspired by the Garden of Eden. Linda offered an additional description of the program since it is in her region.

Funding for Charles Lehner Tabling - Alice suggested that if we want to offer him financial support that we budget for this rather than make decisions about supporting him piecemeal. The group also discussed effectiveness of this outreach, and they discussed their desired reporting practices with regard to the expos that he volunteers at.

Alice proposed funding these projects at the amounts listed below.

$1000 for Moonlight Worship to pay musicians if needed, to be used between now and the end of 2027

$3000 for Edenic Training Program scholarships, to be used between now and the end of 2028

$2000 for Charles Lehner's book fairs and expo expenses, to be used between now and the end of 2027, pending his request and approval by the Board.

Motion made by Linda Huff, seconded by Jay Peregrine.

Roll call vote:

Linda Huff: yes

David Neufer: yes

Bob Solone: yes

Jay Peregrine: yes

Marc Boucher: yes

Motion passed unanimously.

Bank Account

It came up that our money might be better off if it was in a savings account or invested in CDs. Jay offered to help with this. Alice stated that we should continue this discussion later on.

Meeting adjourned

The next meeting will be held at 1 pm CT on Saturday, June 27, 2026
Submitted by
Alice Wood, UAUS President

Note: A quorum is designated as 1/3 of the *voting members*, which are the presidents and vice presidents of the following 6 active associations:

- Greater Lake Michigan Urantia Association (GLMUA) Bob Solone, Jay Peregrine
- Hawaii Urantia Local Association (HULA) Marc Boucher, Darla Clay
- New York - Penn URANTIA Association (NY-PENN) Joyce Anderson, David Neufer
- Virginia Carolina Readers (VCR) Will Sherwood, James Perry
- Washington State Urantia Association (WSUA) Janiece Hoggatt, Jim Nelson
- Urantia Book Service Corps of New England (UBSCONE) Linda Huff