



Dances of Universal Peace International
Board of Directors

Board Meeting Minutes
On Tuesday, September 10, 2024
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3268838813>

ASSISTANTS

Board Members	Time zone	Start time
Darvesha MacDonald, Chair	Daylight Mountain Time MST	12.00 pm
NurAna Wilansky	Illinois CST	1.00 pm
Rukmini Miller	New York EST	2.00 pm
Arjun Calero	London	8.00 pm
Munira Reed	Ohio EST	2.00 pm
Khabir Mayer-Glauninger	Germany CET	8.00 pm
Douglas Stevenson	Tennessee	1.00 pm
Yelena Swarana Dudarjoka	Latvia	9.00 pm

Staff	
Vakil Carlos Rojas	Executive Director Colombia GMT-5 1.00 pm
Martha Bracken	Office Manager Seattle PST 11.00 am

Toward the One, the Perfection of Love, Harmony, and Beauty, the Only Being; United with all the Illuminated Souls who form the Embodiment of the Master, the Spirit of Guidance.

SUGGESTED TIME, Total: 80 minutes.

Agenda

1. Acceptance of Minutes of the Board Meeting held June 11, 2024:
2. Financial Reports
3. Executive Director's report
4. Small Grants Program: Proposal and update.
5. Guidance Council update
6. Dates of future BoD meetings (2024)

1. Minutes of the Board Meeting held June 11, 2024:

See [linked document here](#). One Board member to move acceptance of the minutes, one to second, and record if all are in favor.

Douglas moves in favor and Nurana seconds, all move in favor.

2. Financial Reports:

Martha Braken Wrote:

Dear BOD - I apologize again because the financial reports are not accurate. QuickBooks forced everyone to go online and I have been spending many hours trying to learn the new program with help from them. The ins and outs of our finances are fine but the balance sheet is not correct on the bottom line as you will all notice. I need to get with the accountant again to get his help to straighten this out. See you all Tuesday. Thanks, Martha

📄 September 2024 preliminary Profit and Loss Report.pdf

📄 September 10 preliminary Balance Sheet Report.pdf

You cannot change the document but you can leave comments, using the comments tool.

This is the link to our general yearly budget and quarterly reports:

[ACCESS THE 2024 SPREADSHEET FILE HERE with the latest reports.](#)

Munira. We understand migration of the QUICKBOOKS system TO ONLINE takes time and it is complex. Probably the best thing to do at this point is to decide when to get a report and what is the best possible we can have, since still some small issues may appear.

3. Executive Director's report.

📄 platform advances sept 2024

Comments from the board

Arising issues

Deciding when to stop translating to 7 languages.

Involving the regions in translation, encourage regions to check the browser translations to overview quality.

Vakil. Involving regions is necessary but requires planning time/resources.

Douglas. We need strategies for engagement into the social network aspect.

Munira. It seems that we need more people to be involved in as part of a strategy.

Arjun. Be clear on what are the "regions" we want to connect. Why people comes to the platform: To

publish events and explore dances. Let's be sure these two products are working fine.

Next steps.

Lets try the platform as a board creating a space for us. Vakil to create a tutorial for board engagement and mentor/mentee relation using the platform.

Create a strategy to involve regions. Explain the region's advantages to use the system.

Create a strategy to have the complete list of events into the platform.

For next recruitment cycle we make sure we have one person from each country, new generations and offer work exchange, fee in exchange of work. They can feed the platform.

4. Small Grants Program: Proposal

See the updated (sept 8) proposal here:

 [Small Grants Progrma Sept 2024 SGP.docx](#)

 [SG IMPROVEMENT SEP T10.pdf SLIDE PRESENTATION](#)

The proposal was approved by unanimity.

5. Guidance Council update

No issues to update at this point.

6. Dates of future BoD meetings (2024)

The proposed dates for Board meetings are as follows.

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Meetings are usually at **19.00 UTC** from November 5 to March 12 and **18.00 UTC** from March to November ie, **at 11.00 am Seattle time**, unless arranged otherwise.