

The Membership Committee has spent the 2nd half of 2012 working on two different TDA resolutions:

TDA Resolution #1 Members-At-Large

Whereas, in the Urantia Book Fellowship there are, as of May 2012, 302 Members-at-Large ("MAL") which represents approximately 28% of the total membership of 1064, and

Whereas, the following 18 societies are active on the roles of the Fellowship with the following members each as of May 2012:

RMSF – 144, OKC – 101, Golden Gate – 84, UBLA – 78, Grand Canyon – 61, North Tex – 52, Heart of Amer. – 47, 1st Soc – 40, UBSGNY – 33, Pilot Light – 31, Orvonton – 29, Ft. Wayne – 23, Wisconsin – 23, Northern Light – 20, Vancouver – 15, SSUN – 13, Glenview – 10, Urantia Book Service Corps of New England – 17,

Be it resolved that the TDA requests the General Council to study the changing patterns of how and why people join the Fellowship, and determine what changes need to be made in the Society model, membership types, representation, and elections to support a vision for a healthy Fellowship.

The Secretary read TDA resolution #1.

A motion was made and seconded to assign TDA resolution #1 to the Membership Committee for research and reporting back at next GC meeting.

Discussion followed.

Vote: Yes-31, No-1, Abstentions-0. The motion passed.

Resolution # 6 - Study Groups

Because of the important role of study groups in the comprehension and dissemination of the revelation, the Membership Committee (or another committee designated by the Executive Committee) shall be charged with the responsibility of nurturing existing study groups, fostering new ones and facilitating communication between them.

Examples of "nurturing:" Creation of a study group blog; Study Group Newsletter; Study Group Workshops at Summer Study Sessions and International Conferences

A motion was made (Amyx) and seconded (A. Weimer) to accept TDA resolution #6 and send it to the Executive Committee for further action.

Discussion followed.

**Vote: Yes - 27, no - 0, Abstentions - 2
The motion passed.**

- *Membership Committee (or another committee designated by EC) shall be charged with the responsibility of nurturing existing study groups, fostering new ones, and facilitating communication among them (TDA resolution #6) (David Kulieke, EC)*

We have been working on updating the MAL contact list in preparation of reaching out to our members.

We have begun working with the UAI & Foundation on the Study group directory.

We are working with local readers in San Diego & Idaho who have expressed an interest in forming new Societies.