

Adult Religious Education Committee

FUNCTION:

The purpose of the Adult Religious Education (ARE) Committee is to create and coordinate opportunities for religious learning and growth.

DUTIES:

1. Organize classes, programs and learning opportunities.
2. Provide education for special interest groups.
3. Arrange for childcare and rides for program attendees as needed.
4. Encourage participation of the congregation and assess congregational needs.
5. Provide course leadership support.
6. Stay current on UUA Adult RE curricula and resources and Beacon Press material.
7. Maintain a lending library that supports adult religious learning and growth.
8. Inform congregants of a variety of learning opportunities within the UUA and the community.

ORGANIZATION:

1. The Chair is appointed from among the members of the church, and approved by the Board for a term of one (1) year, with up to three (3) consecutive terms.
2. In the event of a vacancy, the Chair will be filled from the ARE Committee and approved by the Board.
3. The Committee will be comprised of no fewer than five (5) people, one of whom is a Board liaison. The Chair is encouraged to recruit as many committee members as practicable.
4. The Chair or a designee represents the Committee at Program Council meetings.

MEETINGS AND REPORTS:

1. A list of Committee members will be submitted to the Board and church office each September.
2. The Committee will meet quarterly.
3. Minutes of each meeting are prepared and distributed to Committee members, the church office and the Program Council Chair.
4. Regular reports are to be made at Program Council meetings.
5. The Committee will prepare and submit an annual budget to the Finance Committee in the month of January, unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors.
6. The Chair will prepare and submit an annual report in May for the annual meeting in June.