Web Team 2020-21 Annual Report

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The Internet Technologies group (or web team) have been responsible for the operation and overall organization of the uuaa.org web site. The group also addresses technical issues, maintains uuaa.org mail accounts, listservs and uuaa.org forwarders, interfaces with our Internet Service Provider (currently UUism.net) and helps answer technology related questions. We have also kept track of some of the UUAA Google accounts (Board, Communications, etc) including Vimeo and YouTube subscriptions. This year we discontinued the Vimeo account due to the cost.

We maintained the main UUAA Facebook page until August, 2020 when Karishma Gottfried, Communications Specialist, joined the staff and took this over.

Until 2021, web content updates have been submitted to "webtech@uuaa.org" by program leaders and UUAA staff. Now a central form is available for groups to send content to the newsletter, bulletin, website, etc., all at once.

We continue to rotate "webtech" duty monthly and have been kept very busy with maintaining our listserv email lists and updating many parts of the website as many changes were needed to support our virtual operations, our Congregational Vision priorities and activity group's general needs to get the word out during difficult times in the ongoing pandemic.

More changes are now underway at UUAA, including a new Wordpress based website, so we are uncertain of the web team's role going forward. This has kept us from trying to recruit new members, and after losing lost 2 valued members last August, we have been limping along with three dedicated volunteers.

Our current members are Don Winsor (chair), Tricia Mooney and Sandy Simon, retired members Connie Lippert and Brandy Sinco were of great help at the beginning of the program year and still provide occasional input.

We expect to have a better sense of our role going forward at the beginning of the 2021-22 program year.