Midlothian Friends Meeting

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Twelfth Day, Second Month 2012

The meeting opened in silence with queries read from BYM regarding the way business is conducted and the need to seek Divine guidance as to the right course.

The agenda was reviewed and items were added.

Minutes will continue to be approved as they are written during the meeting.

Minute: Midlothian Friends Meeting thanks John Cain for his service as treasurer these last two years. He did a wonderful job and has organized it well for it to be passed on.

Review of the 2012 Budget - MFM paid \$2,132.40 in apportionment for 2011. MFM apportionment was set at \$3,580.00 by BYM. Friends agreed to stay with the recent practice of keeping \$2,0000 for the operating fund as a reserve before paying our apportionment.

Richmond Friends is no longer seeking a donation for the clearing but is requiring that MFM pay for any usage this year. MFM will continue to budget \$250.00 for clearing fees at this time.

Minute: Midlothian Friends Meeting approved the 2012 budget for 2012 (see attached document).

Treasurer's report – Meeting approved signature card changes for the new treasurer. Also a letter is included with the minutes to reflect this change to satisfy bank requirements.

The treasurer agreed to move Property & Liabilities Insurance from a Building and Grounds line to a Financial Stewardship line item. Dominion Power will also be moved in the same way. The report was approved as presented.

Nominating Committee Report – The committee presented the members of each committee verbally. Interim approval was given with final approval to take place at the next Business meeting when the final document is presented.

Religious Education Committee Report – Approval was given to have Second and Fourth Sunday RE classes with curriculum while encouraging children to come & stay in meeting on other Sundays.

Changing Time of Meeting for Business - Approval was given for MFM to hold Meeting for Business on the Fourth First Day (Fourth Sunday) during Meeting for Worship. Young Friends will join worship as usual for the first 15 minutes followed by RE classes being provided. Meeting for Business will be followed by a potluck. This will take place for a period of 6 months and then revisited at Meeting for Business. This will begin on the Fourth First Day (Fourth Sunday) in March.

Spiritual Nurture Committee Report – The pump organ donation decision will be held over until next month to allow the committee time to discuss the responses they have received from Friends. They will make a recommendation as to whether or not to accept the gift. Additional information was presented regarding the measurements of the organ revealing that it would be difficult to place the organ in the meetinghouse.

Building & Grounds Report

Minute: The meeting thanks Jan Rappe for taking down the dead tree in the yard. It will help tremendously with expenses since the committee recommends taking down the other tree that is hanging over the RE building.

It was approved that meeting will pay for the removal of the other tree.

The wood under the new sliding glass door is rotting. Meeting approved \$200 be spent for replacing the sub flooring using money in the Long Term Fund.

Peace and Social Action Committee – Information: The yearly contribution to the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy is in the budget and should be paid now.

Care and Community Committee – Information: Work continues to contact everyone on the member/attender mailing list to let them know we want to stay in contact and miss seeing them

BYM Apportionment Issue – Held over until March Business Meeting.

Meeting closed as worship began.