

Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Worship with Intention for Business
Minutes

Twenty-Second Day, Fourth Month 2012 – 11:00 a.m.

Friends attending included: Claudia Farr, Riley Johnson, Roselle Clark, Jim Beran, Larry Barnett, Susan Umidi, Ann Duncan, Joy Heaton, Jan Rappe, Edward Pope, Tom DeWeerd, Andrew Cannady, Maria Cannady, Scott Cannady, Haley Cannady, Liz Singer, Ethan Singer, Ryan Singer, Robyn Johnson, Howard Brod, Stephen Long, Brian McCutcheon, Karrie Richards, and David Schantz

The clerk welcomed Friends to our second Meeting for Worship with Intention for Business during our regular worship hour. He shared guidelines for business meeting and welcomed those who were attending business meeting for the first time. Attendance was taken for our archives and the assistant clerk read the queries during the opening silence.

Spiritual Nurture Committee: The committee reminded Friends of our annual gathering coming up on May 5th. The theme will be “Watering our Roots – Renewing our Spirituality.” It will be held this year at the clearing. More details will be posted on the Quaker Town Crier.

The treasurer’s report was given and reflected upon. The treasurer, taking a previous suggestion from last Business Meeting, added detail showing where we are relevant to the budget and the current spending. Last month we increased our budget but the contributions did not increase. The treasurer was thanked for his “good work” with the tasks of treasurer.

Building and Grounds reported they recommended using the \$740 left in the special fund. After discussion, approval was given for the replacement of our Worship Room carpet with that money.

Financial Stewardship Committee presented two issues held over from last month. After some discussion, the meeting approved one of these issues, Issue #3, separating the Building and Grounds budget into three categories: Capital Projects, Emergency Repair, and Routine Maintenance. The first category is the only category that Building and Grounds would seek approval from Business Meeting for spending funds. After some discussion meeting held over Issue #2, recommending changing our budget to reflect the exact figure of the BYM apportionment request. It is currently shown as zero and whatever money we have left over we give to BYM. The suggestion is that we pay for the Building and Grounds expenses first. This committee will report again next month.

Peace and Social Action Committee will be sponsoring a forum about Enterprise Virginia in response to the payday loan issue and other ways to deal with debt. It will be at rise of meeting on May 29th.

The issues raised at the Third Month Interim Meeting presented last month by Scott and Maria Cannady were again raised by the clerk to ask if the meeting had any ideas how to proceed with outreach. It will be held over until next month.

An Ad Hoc committee formation to address the BYM apportionment issue approved by last months Meeting for Business has not yet met. It also will be held over until next month.

Clerks Announcements: Quaker Camps Registration handouts are on the kitchen counter; MFM Annual “Gathering for Clearness” will be on Sat., May 5th at the Clearing in Amelia; FGC 2012 Gathering of Friends is July 1 -7 at the U of RI; BYM Annual Session at Frostburg State Univ., MD will be held 7/31-8/5 with the theme of “Spirit-led Social Action.”

Meeting closed with silence.