Midlothian Friends Meeting Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business February 14, 2010, 12:30pm

Present: Tom DeWeerd, Jim Beran, John Cain, Larry Barnett, Tracey Cain

Meeting opened with news of friends followed by silence, and a review of the agenda.

TREASURER

John Cain presented a treasurer's report, attached. Questions were raised about who reconciles and keeps track of funds which are dispersed for FriendShare, the Thrifty Quaker, and the Fund for Support. A meeting of all the people involved in finances for the meeting will be scheduled for the next couple of weeks.

Last month Roanoke Friends Meeting asked to see our budget; John wrote back asking them to contact him by phone to discuss the request but has had no response vet.

Buildings and Grounds has requested \$3,390 in the 2010 budget. Tom will talk to Scott Cannady, clerk, and ask for the budget to be divided into three categoaries: annual expenses, special projects, and set-aside for long-term expenses.

The Baltimore Yearly Meeting apportionment for 2009 was \$3,400. In 2010 it is \$3,907. BYM uses a census to determine the apportionment amount.

Minute: Meeting approves the 2010 budget.

SPIRITUAL NURTURE

Larry Barnett reported that Quakerism 101 will begin next Sunday. The next few presenters have been arranged but there are still spots to be filled.

The Gathering for Clearness will be held at The Clearing in Amelia County on Saturday, May 1. The theme will be the sense of a spiritual home at Midlothian Friends Meeting. A central feature will be gathering thoughts for the annual State of the Meeting report.

Meeting is preparing for two weddings. Cate Myers and Chuck Groves will be held soon, and Julie Lundy and Kelly Council will be married in October. Meeting approves the plan to celebrate the marriage during a regular Sunday meeting for worship.

MINUTES

December minutes were approved as written. January minutes were approved with corrections.

Minute: Meeting thanks Buildings and Grounds for its hard work on the meetinghouse.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Tracey Cain proposes a worm farm for the meetinghouse as a project for young friends. The young friends are also working on AFSC kits for Haiti.

PEACE AND SOCIAL ACTION

The Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy needs the \$100 that we pledged to contribute: the expense is approved.

MAIL

We received thanks for the Thrifty Quaker gifts to Meals on Wheels of \$1,800 and the Virginia Coalition to End Homelessness of \$2,660. The Richmond Animal League sent thanks for the gift of \$95 from our young friends. Baltimore Yearly Meeting sent notices of various upcoming activities.

Meeting ended with silence.