## Midlothian Friends Meeting Special Called Meeting for Discernment June 27, 2021

16 Friends were present at the Meeting House and 6 Friends were present virtually on Zoom

□ We have been gradually taking steps to fully open our meeting house following its closing during the Covid-19 epidemic. The emergency coordination committee met to make recommendations for the return of our religious education (RE) program and our monthly potluck meal and asked for a special meeting for discernment to minute actions needed to return to full use of the meeting house.

The following recommendations of the Emergency Coordination Committee were approved:

- 1. Our RE program for children will return on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. The first day of this return of RE will be July 11, 2021
- 2. RE activities will observe a "2 of 3 Rule," which requires that the teacher and children do two of the three following things at all times: wear masks, maintain six feet of distance between people, and/or be outdoors. We anticipate that the most common practice will be for them to be outdoors and wearing masks during religious education activities.
- 3. If any children have difficulty practicing the 2 of 3 rule, they will be unable to participate in RE until children can be fully vaccinated.
- 4. Meeting will revisit these standards when vaccination is available for children under 12.
- 5. We will return to our previous practice of paying RE teachers at the rate of \$50.00 per time.
- 6. Should any substitute teachers be needed, teachers will be required to be in compliance with our policy on the protection of children, which mandates a background check.
- 7. Our Monthly potluck will return to its normal schedule.