

**Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
January 9, 2022**

7 Friends were present at the Meeting House and 9 Friends were present on Zoom

The following decisions were made after reaching the ‘sense of the meeting’:

- Meeting approved the 2022 budget as proposed by the treasurer.
- Meeting approved “*Circle of Friends Coordinator*” as a listing in our MFM Contact list.

**Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
February 13, 2022**

11 Friends were present on Zoom and 0 Friends were present at the Meeting House because it was closed due to safety concerns from continued Covid-19 variants.

The following decisions were made after reaching the ‘sense of the meeting’:

- Meeting agreed to reopen the Meeting House starting February 20th with the recommendation that everyone wear a KN95, N95 or KF94 mask. KN95 masks will be provided for persons not bringing their own. In addition, Building and Grounds will explore and possibly install an air purification system at the Meeting House.
- Meeting agreed to send a statement of legislative priorities proposed by Peace and Social Action to the Friends Committee on National Legislation

**Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
March 13, 2022**

6 Friends were present at the Meeting House and 7 Friends were present on Zoom.

The following decisions were made after reaching the *sense of the meeting*:

- Mask-wearing at the meetinghouse is optional starting today. The Emergency Coordination Committee is authorized to require masks again with CDC community level information that warrants more safety. Those choosing to wear masks should feel comfortable wearing one in the Meeting House.
- Meeting united with and approved the Baltimore Yearly Meeting (BYM) Minute in Support of a Truth and Healing Commission for Native Peoples.

**Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
April 10, 2022**

17 Friends were present at the Meeting House and 4 Friends were present on Zoom.

Today was dedicated to insightful messages regarding the spiritual state of our Quaker meeting. We used the queries from BYM to stimulate our discernment:

- What are the joys and sorrows that our meeting has experienced this year. How have you grown in the Spirit?
- What wisdom and tools might our meeting share with other meetings about how the Spirit has guided our response to the pandemic? What have been the challenges?
- What wisdom and tools might our meeting share with other meetings about how the Spirit has guided our discussions on racism. What have been the challenges?
- If our meeting was asked to make a t-shirt that you would all wear, what would be the slogan? Would there be a picture?

**Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
May 8, 2022**

11 Friends were present at the Meeting House and 5 Friends were present on Zoom.

- After quiet reflection & discernment, revisions & edits, the State of the Meeting Report for 2021 was approved.
- It was agreed that on a trial basis, potluck would take place at the rise of meeting every 2nd and 4th First Day when children are present for religious education beginning on the Fourth Sunday of this month. Meeting will revisit and evaluate this decision in a few months.

**Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
June 12, 2022**

4 Friends were present at the Meeting House and 8 Friends were present on Zoom.

- After discernment, the request that masks be worn in the Meeting House for all events and for all outside groups will remain in effect until the CDC recommendations for our area says otherwise

**Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
November 13, 2022**

21 Friends were present at the Meeting House and 7 Friends were present on Zoom.

- Following discernment, the MFM 2023 budget was approved as presented. Remaining to be addressed will be how available Thrifty Quaker funds for social concern and spiritual nurture outreach needs within meeting will be reflected in future budget documents.
- An Ad Hoc Committee has been established for Ian and Autumn's wedding. Included at this time will be Emily and Jane.