

Midlothian Friends Meeting (MFM)
Meeting for Worship with Concern for Business
Minutes Eleventh Day, Fifth Month, 2014 – 11:00 a.m.

Those in attendance included: Ann Duncan, Karrie Richards, Bill Marx, Emily, Will and Sam Keenum, Jane Roberson,, Erin DeWeerd, Susan Umidi, Katie, Kayla, Adam and Baylor Brown, Anne Strathie, and Tom DeWeerd

The meeting opened with silence - Queries were read from BYM Faith & Practice under the heading “Social Concerns”.

Care and Community - Held “In the Light” those in our community needing assistance.

Spiritual Nurture - Ann Duncan reported on the “Gathering for Clearness” which included a session on the Peace and Social Action Committee’s discernment of the MFM priorities for action. This work will continue into the summer at Business Meeting as they seek to add to the “Stickie Chart” being created. Also, the ‘vision statement update’ was postponed from the retreat gathering to be included over the next 6 months at meeting for business. Finally, the draft of the State of the Meeting Report was presented and revision suggested made.

Building and Grounds Committee – Karrie Richards reported on the developments of the Universal Access project which is the fulfillment of “Option One” with the removal of the three trees in the way of the walkway and the pouring of the concrete walkways and the front porch with porch roof footings for possible use at an unspecified later date.

We ended meeting with a tree tour led by Karrie with background from the committee and advice from the VA Department of Forestry. The children joined in this informational activity and we ended about 12:45 p.m. as we dispersed after viewing all the marked trees.