Midlothian Friends Meeting Meeting for Worship with Concern for Business Minutes

Fourteenth Day, Ninth Month, 2014 – 11:00 a.m.

Those in attendance included: Ann Duncan, Howard Brod, Claudia Farr, Scott Cannady, Brian Buniva, Dee Dee Mattingly, Sandi Wiggins, Chuck and Cate Grove, Emily Keenum, Brian McCutheon, Steve Long, Patty Barnes, Dave and Roselle Clark and Tom DeWeerd

The meeting opened with silence - Queries were read from BYM Faith & Practice under the heading "Community" from p. 66.

Care and Community - Held "In the Light" those in our community needing assistance

Spiritual Nurture – Meeting began a 'vision statement' update with attention to how we envision our spiritual home. Some deeply felt sharing took place as Dave Clark took us into this process.

Treasurer's Report – Howard Brod as treasurer made the recommendation to reduce our 2014 budget by about \$4,100.00 based on the reality of monthly contributions. After discussion and recognition that the financial stewardship committee had also met about this situation, the proposed cuts were accepted (see attached report).

The clerk will write a statement for distribution. In addition, any contributors who want more data on donations may simply make a request to the treasurer.

Peace and Social Action Committee (PSAC) – Our work on the MFM priorities for action based on <u>Simplicity, Peace, Integrity, Community, Equality and Stewardship</u> (SPICES) that started at our "Gathering for Clearness" continued. It was agreed that we would continue to use the board started at our retreat.

Building and Grounds Committee – Workdays on 9/20 & 9/27 were announced.

Clerks Comments – The importance of a clock added on the mantel is an acknowledgement that there is not a member of our Spiritual Nurture Committee on hand at each First Day Worship. The clock and a short script with directions will aide those volunteering to close worship each Sunday.

A short silence ended business meeting as our children returned from First Day School