

Morningside Monthly Meeting
Meeting for Worship With a Concern for Business
11/3/2013

Meeting begins at 1:05 pm with silent Worship.

present: David Fletcher, Dot Savage, Pat Chernoff, Corona Machermer, Jerry Reisig, Ernie Buscemi, Nancy Britton, Charlene Ray, Vince Buscemi, Pam Wood, Joyce Richardson, Tom Goddridge, Peter Beck, Dave Britton, Lee Rada (clerk)

20131103.1 Corona Machermer presents the Peace and Social Concerns report. Additional disbursements for 2013 have been approved. A contribution to Two Row Wampum Campaign is discussed. A contribution to Haiti development is discussed. Right Sharing of World Resources requests that we appoint a liaison. David Fletcher reports on Restorative Practices campaigns. Naomi Paz Greenberg reports on the progress of the Second Flushing Remonstrance and the prisoners of conscience write-a-thon planned for 12/8. Responses to the Syria and Iran negotiations are discussed. Friends accept the report. Friends ask the nominating committee to take up the appointment of a liaison to RSWR. The report is attached.

20131103.2 Charlene Ray presents the Treasurer's report. Our year to date income is \$17,720 as of 10/31, which is 52% of our budget. We have received \$865 more than we disbursed. Receipts are 3% below this time last year. We received \$1471 in October and disbursed \$256. A Fall appeal letter is being distributed. The report is accepted and attached.

20131103.3 Ernie Buscemi reports for the Woodbourne Prison Worship Group committee. The men are doing well at recruitment. There were 13 attendees including four outsiders. The group is discussing doing testimonies and Quaker 101 type programs. A Christmas celebration is planned supported by Morningside's contributions, subject to Dept. of Corrections approval of a date.

20131103.4 Jerry Reisig presents the Communications committee report. The committee discussed the website, email and mailing list. The email server has been updated. Borys Harmaty is serving as keeper of the mailing list database. M&C is providing updates to the address list. The printed address list will be next. The committee is working on the website design. Deborah Dahl is contacting Vonn New to focus on building Morningside's site before that of the Quarterly Meeting. The committee has decided to meet monthly. Friends accept the report, which is attached.

20131103.5 Pam Wood presents the Ministry and Counsel report. The next meeting will be at Pam's home on 11/21 at 7:15 pm. The next welcoming breakfast is on 11/24 in Riverside Cafe. An after-Meeting workshop on Spiritual Nurture is planned for 11/24. Friends need to arrange roles for the State of the Meeting report. There is a scheduled meeting for young adult Friends today 11/5. The committee is working on updating the address list. There are 9 support committees.

20131103.6 Friends approve Jerry Reisig to write the State of the Meeting report, with Pam and Charlene to take notes during the after-Meeting discussion. Dave Britton will clerk the meeting, to be held on 12/15/2013 after Meeting for Worship.

20131103.7 Friends are in unity in supporting Liberty Britton's application for a leadership position in the 2014 FWCC Quaker Pilgrimage. Friends note Liberty's role on Ministry and Counsel while still in high school, the Meeting's past support for her participation in FWCC's Pilgrimage as a youth participant, the Meeting's support for her co-leading a workshop at FGC Gathering in 2011, and that she has been a Quaker camp counsellor for Baltimore Yearly Meeting and a "JC" for Powell House, as well as noting her semester interning with a women's health group in Nicaragua and her fluency in Spanish.

Meeting ends at 2:05 with silent Worship. The clerk reads from John Greenleaf Whittier.

In Friendship,

Dave Britton, recording clerk