

Jacksonville Monthly Meeting
Meeting for Worship for Business
 January 12, 2014
 Elaine Martin, Clerk

1. Worship

2. Queries: Meeting for Worship

- Are our meetings for worship held in expectant waiting for divine guidance, with a living silence in which we feel drawn together in the Light by the presence of God?
- Do we respond to the Spirit's prompting to minister, whether in silence, through the spoken word, or through action after the meeting for worship?
- Are we sensitive to one another's needs in meeting for worship?
- Are the spiritual gifts within the meeting fostered and encouraged?
- Are our meetings accessible and welcoming to everyone?
- Are our meetings a source of strength and guidance for daily living?
- Is the vocal ministry in our meetings exercised under the leading of the Spirit?

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3. Minutes of November 10, 2013 – Approved

4. Treasurer's Report – Sue Watson

- Should the meeting make an additional contribution to SEYM for this fiscal year? Our apportionment was \$2518 of which we have currently paid \$1400. The meeting currently has the funds available to pay the remaining balance, however, that would not leave a sufficient balance, without additional contributions, to pay next years full apportionment. Meeting agreed to make another \$500 payment now and evaluate completing the balance in March. Meeting will consider making quarterly payments for the next fiscal year.
- The Friends Journal subscription is due for 2014. The minimum renewal cost is \$45 or the meeting can pay the actual cost to publish which is \$150. Meeting agreed to renew the subscription for the actual cost to publish at \$150.
- Sue Watson agreed to remain treasurer for an additional term of 3 years unless someone else has a desire to assume the position.

Property Fund			
Date	Description	Amount	Balance
09/24/13	Transfer from Operating	\$500.00	\$500.00
12/03/13	Contribution	\$200.00	\$700.00
01/10/14	Contribution	\$100.00	\$800.00

Date	Description	Contributions	Payments	Balance
06/01/13	Balance forwarded			\$2,455.87
06/07/13		\$243.00		\$2,698.87
06/17/13	SEYM		-\$1,400.00	\$1,298.87
06/17/13	Rent – Brooke Stephens		-\$180.00	\$1,118.87
06/17/13		\$185.00		\$1,303.87
07/01/13		\$376.00		\$1,679.87
07/16/13		\$100.00		\$1,779.87
09/06/13		\$240.00		\$2,019.87
09/24/13		\$800.00		\$2,819.87
09/24/13	Friends Journal listing		-\$60.00	\$2,759.87
09/24/13	Funds to Property acct		-\$500.00	\$2,259.87
09/30/13	Heritage Landing HOA		-\$75.00	\$2,184.87
09/30/13		\$75.00		\$2,259.87
10/03/13	Dedge's Lock & Key		-\$101.65	\$2,158.22
10/12/13	Rent – Brooke Stephens		-\$78.35	\$2,079.87
11/01/13	Rent – Brooke Stephens		-\$80.00	\$1,999.87
11/08/13		\$290.00		\$2,289.87
11/18/13	Quaker life		-\$16.50	\$2,273.37
12/01/13	Rent – Brooke Stephens		-\$100.00	\$2,173.37
12/03/13		\$815.00		\$2,988.37
12/03/13	Funds to Property acct		-\$200.00	\$2,788.37
12/15/13		\$25.00		\$2,813.37
12/15/13	Heritage Landing HOA		-\$50.00	\$2,763.37
01/05/14	Rent – Brooke Stephens		-\$80.00	\$2,683.37
01/05/14	FCPJ		-\$200.00	\$2,483.37
01/10/14		\$100.00		\$2,583.37
01/10/14	Funds to Property acct		-\$100.00	\$2,483.37
	Total	\$3,149.00	-\$2,921.50	

5. Changes to the Directory – Wendy Clarissa Geiger

- Marge Kary has asked to lay down her membership.
- Two additional individuals are to be removed from the listing with two more undecided.

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- Doug Halpin requested to be added to the directory.
- 6. Spiritual State of the Meeting Report** – Michael Shell continues to develop this report.
- 7. Nurturing a Sense of Community/Deepening the Spirituality of the Meeting**
- It was decided that the January pot-luck and worship sharing would not be held since most members will be out of town that weekend.
 - It was decided that the topic for worship sharing during the February pot-luck will be about the article in Friends Journal titled “How Quakerism Left Me.”
- 8. Outreach/Community Activity**
- Several ideas submitted by Wendy Clarissa Geiger were discussed. Wendy Clarissa will continue to investigate cost, availability, and feasibility.
 - Participation in the Jacksonville adopt-a-road program was discussed however cost of the signage at \$250 seemed excessive.
 - Will continue item on the agenda and solicit additional ideas. Small meeting participation in major events may become over burdensome both from a time and financial perspective.
- 9. Meeting Housekeeping**
- Florida Coalition for Peace and Justice – Immokalee Workers – Discussion was held about the summer peace camp offered by FCPJ for farm workers children. It is not certain if this includes children from the Immokalee Workers. Elaine will continue to work with Connie to see if there are any synergies between meeting supporting this summer camp effort and the SEYM youth program in support of the Immokalee Workers. This may include requests for hospitality from the meeting during the summer camp.
 - Website – Ken is currently at an impasse with the development of a new website and needs help with graphic design for the site.
 - Newsletter – Bonnie will continue to work on a newsletter, however, she is concerned about an apparent lack of interest from the meeting. It was discerned that meeting would like to continue with a newsletter and topics for inclusion were discussed. The distribution of the newsletter was also discussed and meeting will review whether to send print copies.
 - First Day School – Bonnie noted that Mandy Grefski, Five River Friends Meeting, Conway, SC, is available to provide a First Day school workshops including “Godly Play” if desired.
- 10. Announcements -**
- The SEYM winter interim business meeting and Mitchner lecture will be hosted by the Orlando Friends the weekend of 1/17 through 1/19.
 - The SEYM Faith and Practice is now available in print and can be purchased at WIBM or ordered online.

Submitted by:
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