

**Jacksonville Friends Meeting**  
**Meeting for Worship for Business**

**May 10, 2015**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Wendy Clarissa Geiger, Al Geiger, Paul Hibschan, Sue Williams, Elaine Martin

Friends shared on the query: How is God moving in my life?

**Minutes of April 12, 2015** approved

**Treasurers Report**

Sue Watson, the treasurer, was not in attendance. Elaine reported that the apportionment for 2015- 2016 is \$1,976 up slightly from \$1,933 for 2014-2015. Our numbers remained the same with 7 members and 25 attenders. Friends engaged in discussion concerning the number of attenders in the directory who do not attend meeting.

Friends discussed donating to the New Underground Railroad, a ministry of Olympia Monthly Meeting, to transport and relocate LGBTQ persons out of Uganda to safety. Friends decided that \$100 would be a bare minimum donation and agreed to a \$200 donation. Paul thought that the donation was excessive given meeting's finances however he was not willing to stand in the way.

**Meetinghouse Committee**

There was no report from the Meetinghouse Committee as Jim was not in attendance. Elaine relayed to Meeting that she had spoken with Jim who has been tied up with family issues.

**Worship and Ministry**

Paul had nothing to report at his time.

**Baltimore Uprising**

Wendy provided information and led a discussion on racism and the Baltimore Uprising. Friends took time to consider issues of racism and social justice in Jacksonville. Elaine shared on the work ICARE does in the community to address issues of social justice. Wendy provided information on FOR's (Fellowship of Reconciliation) and explained how FOR had been called into Baltimore to provide guidance and direction.

**“Living our Testimony of Equality—A White Friend’s Experience”** by Patience A. Schenck.

Meeting committed to reading the pamphlet although a time for discussion has not been determined. Copies are \$7 for anyone interested in purchasing a copy. Wendy will be collecting the money and will place the order on behalf of meeting. Elaine agreed to send announcement to meeting.

**End of the Summer Potluck**

Friends tabled the discussion since Bonnie and Ken were not in attendance.

### **Meeting Garage Sale**

Friends discussed holding a meeting garage sale and decided against it.

### **ICARE report**

Elaine reported that ICARE holds their investment drive during the summer and does not further any issue work.

Submitted by  
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