

Peace and Earth Minutes  
February 20, 2010

We discussed Manna Food Bank collections, because having food left out at the Meeting House is causing a problem, due to rodents. Some food is currently in the fridge, and Susan will collect this and take to Manna Food Bank. We talked about getting a metal container for food that is not in cans. Susan suggested that we have only a couple months per year to collect food, rather than make it year-round. Kitti will mention to Meeting that we cannot have food (that is not in cans) left in the box in the foyer. It will have to be stored in the fridge.

We decided to donate \$25 to NC Interfaith Power and Light. This is the last of our 2010 budget.

We received a letter from a prisoner in Washington state asking for funds and saying that no one answered him in prior appeals to other Quaker groups. There was no mention of what he needed money for. Kitti will answer this letter and say that we don't give money to individuals but will hold him in the Light.

We decided to give Quaker Outreach for 2011 the same amounts as we gave in 2010. These are FCNL, AFSC, RSWR, Quaker House, Pendle Hill, Friends Journal, FWCC, Quaker Earthcare Witness, Ramallah Friends School, and Friends General Council.

Ministry and Counsel felt that our Meeting should have a long range plan and long range goals. They asked that each committee should give some thought to what direction we would like to see the Meeting take.

We also discussed Transition Asheville project. We donated to them in the past. We discussed sponsoring Transition Town meetings. Pat will contact Jim and see if he wants to lead group. Kitti suggested buying 10 books which may end up going to the public library. Our committee will work on promoting Transition Town meetings if we decide to hold them for our Meeting.