

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Asheville Friends Meeting

10th Month 12, 2014

Co-clerks: Gail Hipkins, Alan Robinson

Recording Clerk: Steve Livingston

Attendance: Rylin Hansen, Kitti Reynolds, Kristi Gjelfriend, Jim Cavener, Katherine Kowal, David Clements, Gjeorge Gjelfriend, Rusty Maynard, Edie Patrick, Bobby Carter, Adrienne Weir, Margaret Normile, Pat Johnson, Lauren Adams, Angela Sullivan, Barbara Esther

Meeting began at with a moment of silence at 11:58 a.m. Clerk read from Thomas Merton's "No Man Is an Island"

The beginning of love is to let those we love be perfectly themselves, and not to twist them to fit our own image. Otherwise we love only the reflection of ourselves we find in them.

Regarding the minutes of 9th month Meeting for Business, clerk of Nominating noted that it was Greg Howell who was joining Peace and Earth Committee rather than Chris Howells.

Friends approved Greg Howell to join Peace and Earth Committee. Friends approved changing the 9th Month Minutes to reflect this change.

Friends approved the agenda as presented by the clerks.

Treasurer's Report

Pat Johnson distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report. She noted that contributions are low for the year, so Finance Committee will be sending out their end of year appeal earlier than usual. She pointed out where some committees have not spent anything this year while others have gone a little over budget.

She also reported that our Meeting's Building Fund CDs have matured, and since Meeting had decided not to reinvest in CDs the money was rolled over into a Money Market account.

Friends accepted the report with thanks.

Board of Directors

David Clements reported for the annual Board of Directors meeting. He explained the reason we have to have a board in order to carry out certain legal and financial functions.

Report of Asheville Friends Meeting Board of Directors, 10/12/2014

The Board of Directors requests that the minutes of its 2014 annual meeting be incorporated into the minutes of Asheville Friends Meeting.

The annual Meeting of the AFM Board of Directors took place at the Meeting House on 10/12/2014 at 9:00 am. Present were Board members Gail Hipkins, Alan Robinson (Members of the Board *ex officio* as Clerk of Meeting), Pat Johnson (Member of the Board *ex officio* as Treasurer of Meeting), David Clements (member of the Board *ex officio* as Assistant Treasurer of Meeting), Adrienne Weir, and Bob Smith.

David Clements continues as Secretary. We elected Gail Hipkins as Chairperson.

All current members of the Board of Directors are willing to continue.

Pat, David, and Adrienne, and Laura Maynard are signatories for the Self Help Credit Union accounts. We will add the two Clerks as signatories, and will remove Laura.

We will ask to have the minutes of this meeting recorded in the Minutes of Business Meeting.

There being no new business, the Annual Meeting concluded at 9:30 am. The next scheduled Meeting of the Board of Directors will be October 11, 2015 at 9 am.

Respectfully Submitted, David Clements, Secretary of the Board of Directors.

Friends accepted the report of the Board of Directors

Care and Nurture

Clerk informed Friends that Care and Nurture Committee is in need of a functioning clerk, and asked Friends that anyone who feels moved to serve in this capacity should contact a member of Nominating. A Friend offered that she would take this role on if there were five on the committee to do the work.

CROP Walk

Margaret N and Sarah Jane T participated in the CROP Walk. They said it was a beautiful day and between them they raised a fair sum of money for CROP.

Other Concerns

Clerk brought to Meeting a request from Jennifer Walker, a member of our Meeting who left to attend graduate school in Athens GA. She now attends Durham Friends Meeting and has asked to transfer her membership.

Friends approved the release of Jennifer Walker's membership from Asheville Meeting and recommended her to Durham Meeting.

Friends rose to share recollections of Jennifer's involvement with Meeting and with the wider Quaker world, and gratitude for the time she spent with us here in Asheville. Clerk noted that she has established a landscape design business, which was her ambition when we knew her.

Closing worship

There being no further business, meeting adjourned with silence at 12:25 p.m.