

**Tampa Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends  
Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business**

**Minutes**

**DRAFT**

2 Sixth Month 2024

Meeting Clerk began the gathering with silent worship.

**Clerks**

Nil Wilkins Meeting Clerk

Cynde Mercer Interim Recording Clerk

**Attendees**

Dika Boire (Zoom)  
Dylan

Jan Dahm (Zoom)  
Lisa Erazmus (Zoom)  
Chris Hugues

Steve Kinney  
Dustin Lemke  
Cynde Mercer (Zoom)  
Karen Putney (Zoom)  
Nil Wilkins

Cecilia Yocum

**Action Items**

Dustin Lemke reported that Ministry and Counsel continues to meet and asks that f/Friends bring to them any concerns that need addressing. They are continuing adult first day program in June and considering hosting a retreat in November. Reach out to Dustin with any ideas for retreat.

Cecilia Yocum requested donations to support Friends Peace Teams work in Cuba.

Chris Hugues reported that UCC used our property for a retreat in April. Treatment for drywood termites in the cottage is being scheduled. The request to use the meetinghouse for a micro-school has not moved forward. Chris has met with the SEYM Call Committee about the possibility of a Quaker school in Tampa. Committee of the Whole is continuing to meet each month on Zoom and all are invited to attend.

It was suggested that we investigate outreach to increase attendance and membership. A long discussion followed with the final suggestion that the topic be explored more thoroughly at Committee of the Whole.

Our next meeting for business will be in September.

**Treasurer's Report**

Chris Hugues presented the treasurer's report. Income exceeded budget and expenses were slightly over budget for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2024. We have been able to maintain balances in accounts, but we did not meet some commitments including our annual SEYM apportionment. Our reserves are intact but our funds available for expenditures are lower than what they should be. Meeting accepts the report.

Treasurer also presented the proposed budget for FY 2024-2025 for approval. Projected income (\$31,140.00) is less than this year's budgeted amount. Projected expenses

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(\$36,361.22) exceed current year expenses and projected income. Budget projects a deficit for the upcoming fiscal year. Friends approve.

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Minutes for Third month 2024 were approved as submitted.

Minutes for 12 Fifth month 2024 specially called meeting were approved as submitted.

**Upcoming Events and Meeting Calendar**

**Sunday (First Day), June 16, at 11:30 am**, Potluck at the meetinghouse.

**Saturday (Seventh Day), June 22, 9 am to 4 pm, SEYM Summer EC (Executive Committee)** will meet at the meetinghouse. All are welcome to attend, either in person or by Zoom. To attend (whether in person or by Zoom), please register at the following link: [seymquakers.org](http://seymquakers.org). Tampa Friends will provide a light breakfast and lunch for in person attendees. Please contact Nil Wilkins ([ngwvet@aol.com](mailto:ngwvet@aol.com)) if you are able to help with food and/or set up.

**Sunday (First Day), June 23, at 11:40 am, Adult First Day Program** - hybrid, same Zoom link as our Meeting for Worship – Worship Sharing on SEYM Queries from 2024 Yearly Gathering.

**Wednesday (Fourth Day), June 26, at 7 pm**, Committee of the Whole, Zoom only. The first part of the meeting will be a time for Friends to have a spiritual check in and then worship/worship share on the SEYM Worship and Ministry Committee query of the week TBA.

Meeting ended with closing worship.