

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

Minutes

13 Fourth Month 2008

OPENING SILENCE

QUERY 4 – MUTUAL CARE

How do we foster a spirit of community among the Meeting's members and attenders?

How does the Meeting keep in contact with all of the Meeting's members and attenders?

How does the Meeting assist couples and families to communicate, grow together, and rear children in a loving environment?

Does the Meeting Community nurture the Meeting's children?

How does the Meeting care for those who live alone, the sick, the aging, the widowed, the separated or divorced, and others with families affected by disruption?

Do we assist Friends in need as their circumstances require?

How do we labor with and care for those whose conduct or manner of living give grounds for concern?

How are visitors to our meeting made to feel welcome?

RECORDING CLERK

Cynde Mercer recording clerk.

ATTENDEES

John Arnaldi, Tom Blackburn, Francis Drake, Alice Fast, Chris Hugues, Dustin Lemke, Steve Kinney, Cynde Mercer, Karen Putney, Lou Putney, Nancy Triscritti, Wanda Turner, Andrea Walsh, Nil Wilkins, Cecilia Yocum

BUSINESS

Minutes of 9 Third Month were read and approved with corrections.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Peace and Social Concerns – John Arnaldi reported the committee is considering lobbying classes; the committee recommends that the meeting sign the letter to John Conyers about Dr. Sami Al Arian and meeting approved; the committee recommends a minute of support for Asheville Monthly Meeting and the meeting will delay action until Becky Steele provide results of her research on the issue; the Coalition of Imokolee workiers are asking us to support them by signing a petition and the meeting decided that individuals should sign rather than the meeting.

Worship and Ministry – Nancy Triscritti reported on plans for a meeting picnic on seventh day, 31 Fifth month, in the late afternoon; plans are progressing for a meeting retreat in 2009; Francis Drake will lead Adult First Day School discussions on 22 Fourth month, and 4 Fifth month on insights into the challenge of evil; the committee is previewing materials for Quakerism 101 class.

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Property – Chris Hugues reported that the committee's first priority is the hole in the roof over the rear restroom; another priority is hauling the debris out; a work day is planned for seventh day, 26, Fourth month.

First Day School – Cecilia Yocum reported that the committee is looking forward to an indoor meeting space for the children.

OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting will host the SEYM executive committee on seventh day, 19 seventh month.

Quarterly meeting is Saturday, May 10 in Sarasota.

CALENDAR

See web site.

CLOSING SILENCE