

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

## Minutes

### 11 Fourth Month 2010

#### *OPENING WORSHIP*

#### 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

M.J. Arnaldi

Tom Blackburn

Francis Drake

Jill Floerke

Chris Hugues

Steve Kinney

Dustin Lemke

Cynde Mercer

Barbara Nicholson

David Nicholson

Tyisha Shaia

Wayne Schucker

Franko Triscritti

Nancy Triscritti

Andrea Walsh

Nil Wilkins

Cecilia Yocum

#### *BUSINESS*

Minutes of 11 Second Month were approved as presented.

Minutes of 14 Third Month were approved as presented.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

The Treasurer presented the draft budget for 2010-2011 for the first reading.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Nominating** – no report.

**Ministry and Counsel** – Nancy Triscritti reported that Bill and Kathy Ward would love to have visitors from Meeting and proposed a brown bag lunch at their house on May 2 after committee meetings. The

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committee is considering *Three Cups of Tea* as reading material for adult first day school in the fall. The committee is planning a picnic at Ft. Desoto park on Saturday, May 15. Another retreat is being planned to take place at the Meetinghouse in September or February. Worship Sharing is planned for one night each week over the summer.

**Website Ad Hoc Committee** – no report

**Outreach** – no report.

**Peace and Social Concerns** – Dustin Lemke explained about the hate group from Westboro Baptist Church and its history of demonstrating at military funerals. Tyisha Shaia plans to hold five peaceful counter demonstrations next week near the locations where the church will be protesting. Tyisha is asking for help with baked goods and for Friends to join her at the counter demonstrations, especially at the Plant High School demonstration. See action items. The Coalition of Immokalee Workers is marching (April 16, 17, 18) from Tampa to Lakeland to get Publix to agree to paying an additional penny per pound for tomatoes. The Meeting approves participating and carrying signs that identify the Meeting as a supporter of farmworkers. The Committee would like for Friends to let them know several issues that they can be proactive on. See action items.

**Hospitality** – no report.

**Library** – no report.

**First Day School** – Cecilia Yocum reported that they need a First Day School teacher for April 25.

**Property and Grounds** – Andrea Walsh reported that they are holding a work day on April 17 at 8 a.m.

### OTHER BUSINESS

We have been asked to provide hospitality for Executive Committee for Interim Meeting Saturday, June 12.

### CALENDAR

See TampaFriends.org.

### *CLOSING WORSHIP*

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### FOURTH MONTH ACTION ITEMS

**Chris Hugues** will discuss with Property Committee ideas for renting the office space and report back to Meeting.

**Committee clerks** should send budget requests for 2010-2011 to **Chris Hugues** before Fifth Month Meeting.

**Peace and Social Concerns: Tyisha Shaia** will send information about the demonstrations to Cecilia Yocum; **Dustin Lemke** will send list of locations to Cece; **John** is going to send guidelines to Cecilia Yocum. Friends can bring baked goods to Saturday work day or contact Nancy Triscritti for pick up.

**Steve Kinney** will submit an ad about meeting to the USF newspaper, *The Oracle*.

**Dustin Lemke** will send information about march by Immokalee Workers to Cecilia Yocum.