

Meeting for Worship
With a Concern for Business
September 7, 2008
Riverside Church 12T

Meeting begins with a period of silent worship at approximately 1:05 p.m. The Clerk reads a passage by George Fox beginning, "All Friends be low, and keep in the life of God to keep you low" to be found in "Quaker Spirituality" p. 86.

- 9.08.01 Pamela Wood reports for Ministry and Counsel (M&C)
1. The next meeting of M&C will take place at the home of Pamela Wood at 7:15 p.m. All Meeting members/attenders are welcome to the first, non-confidential, part of the meeting. In the event that concerns will not be presented in person, M&C continues to request that concerns be forwarded in writing to the clerks, Susan Hannigan and Pamela Wood.
 2. The next Morningside Meeting breakfast will take place in the Riverside Church Café at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome-especially newcomers. The date is September 21. Susan Hannigan and Ralph Zito will host this event.
 3. After Meeting discussions at 1 p.m.:
 - a. September 21-"What are our priorities as Quakers as we participate in the political and economic life of our country?"
 - b. Late October- M&C continues to plan for an Alternatives to Violence (AVP) Workshop
 - c. November 16th-Ed Elder and others will facilitate "Same sex relationship coming of age:A celebration of the 21st anniversary of Morningside Monthly Meeting's Minute"
 - d. December 21-Discussion of the State of the Meeting in preparation for the annual report to New York Yearly Meeting
- 9.08.02 Friends approve the request of Beth Bugnaycay for membership. Her welcoming committee consists of: Bart Dominus, Ellyse Vitiello, and Pamela Wood (convenor).
- 9.08.03 Bart Dominus presents the Treasurer's report. Friends are encouraged to make contributions as soon as possible. The Meeting has yet to receive contributions for +- 60% of the budget.
- 9.08.04 Friends agree to a covenanted contribution of \$12,940 for the 2009 proposed budget of New York Yearly Meeting.
- 9.08.05 Friends agree to host the Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO) meeting for worship on Tuesday 10/21/08 from 1-1:45 p.m. A brown bag lunch will take place from 12:30 to 1 p.m. Some members of the U.N. and N.Y. Quarterly Meeting will also be invited to attend.
- 9.08.06 Friends accept the invitation to participate in the observance of World Communion Sunday on October 5th at Riverside Church.
- 9.08.07 Friends approve the recommendation of the National Religious Campaign Against Torture www.nrcaat.org that the presidential candidates be requested to commit to an executive order banning torture.

9.08.08 Friends agree that Sally Campbell may dispose of the Meeting video player currently being stored at her home as she sees fit. Audio-visual equipment is currently available to the Meeting through Riverside Church

The Clerk requests that committee reports be forwarded in writing prior to the next Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business on October 5, 2008. Meeting ends at 3:15 p.m. with a period of silent worship.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Richardson

Recording Clerk

Attendance: Dave Britton, Nancy Britton (Clerk), Ernie Buscemi, Vince Buscemi, Sally Campbell, Patricia Chernoff, Miguel Davis-Dacio, Bart Dominus, Helen Garay Toppins, Elaine Hin, Joyce Richardson, Elizabeth Stone, John Tweddle, Ellyse Vitiello, Pamela Wood.